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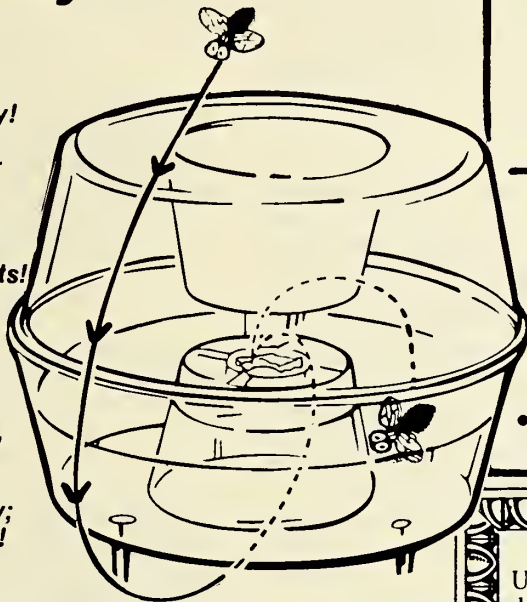
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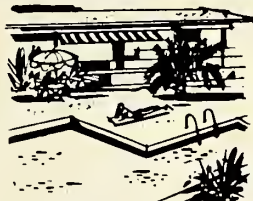


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Editor's Note: Texas Dept. Cdr. Harvey Holcomb recently prepared a report on the nation's energy crisis titled "Energy Regionalism: A bad solution to a big problem."

Holcomb's article is reprinted here at the request of the American Legion Internal Affairs Commission and its Energy Subcommittee.

IN RECENT years, energy has emerged as one of the major concerns of this nation. Much like a spendthrift, unless we change our ways, we'll soon be bankrupt. For we are confronting, as President Carter puts it, "the greatest domestic challenge of our lifetimes."

Two facts stand out clearly. First, the present energy dilemma will not go away, no matter how tightly we shut our eyes. There is no escaping the reality—demand for energy is outstripping development of energy supplies; non-renewable natural resources are being depleted. And we often are not using the energy we consume to its best advantage. One example is oil. Granted, there are very substantial oil reserves waiting to be found—and we are getting on with the task of finding them. But the world's oil and gas cannot last forever. Sometime in the next century, petroleum will likely cease to be a major contributor to our fuel mix. And the demise of the hydrocarbon era may necessitate substantial changes in our economy and our life-styles—unless, that is, we do our planning now.

The second fact is that we must pull together as a nation, sharing sacrifices, if we are to resolve our difficulties. The problem is national—even global—in scope.

And solutions must be just as far-reaching. As Aristotle observed centuries ago, "a common danger unites even the bitterest enemies." While our enmities may not be bitter, energy shortages surely present the sort of common danger that requires—indeed demands—unity.

Unfortunately, some states are now embracing provincial postures. Good husbandry of resources is essential, but hoarding is not. Perhaps anticipating a degree of divisiveness, the President straight-

forwardly dealt with this issue in his April energy address, his words were the following: "We must not permit energy shortages to balkanize our nation."

But that may be exactly what is happening. Newspaper story after story demonstrates the growth of regional conflict. A recent New York Times story—and this is just one example—led off this way: "Instead of the moral equivalent of war, the nation faces what some regional officials are calling 'the economic equivalent of civil war' over President Carter's energy proposals." That is hardly good news.

Let's forget the specifics of the Carter proposal. Congress will, in the course of exercising its authority, massage the President's proposals; and the American people will be heard from, too. Moreover, whatever Congress enacts this year is likely to be changed in years to come. Still, the importance of these actions cannot be underestimated.

At long last, we—as a nation—have recognized the seriousness of our situation and are moving toward a solution. That is good news.

But solutions will slip through our fingers if our nation becomes, instead, "balkanized." Just as in war, massive efforts that can only grow out of unity are required . . . if victory is to be achieved.

But the specter of spreading regionalism cannot be dismissed as illusory. Atlantic states increasingly oppose offshore drilling—but the outer continental shelf is one of our last petroleum frontiers. These same states argue against refinery siting and nuclear plant construction.

At the same time, many of these states are intensive energy customers. Their cooler climate leads to greater-than-average dependency upon energy to fuel factories and heat homes—dependency underscored by the bitter cold winter of 1976-77 that began early and ended late. Many residents of these states clamor for inexpensive energy; yet, their actions can only result in more expensive energy.

In the same vein, California—long a major energy producer—is seen by some to be sliding into an anti-energy posture. Officials in that state

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Letters to the Editor

Sir: The President and the 68 senators who voted to ratify the giveaway of the Panama Canal might ponder the verse:

As we lower Old Glory for the last time

*From its Panamanian mast
And we bow our heads in pride
For our country's glorious past,
We wonder what the future is for
Uncle Sam*

*And pray that Panama
Is not another Vietnam*

GEORGE A. THOMPSON
Sun City, AZ

Sir: The Legion fought a good fight on the Panama Canal and lost. Now let's see how those senators fare with the voters.

CHARLES A. MCAFEE
Wichita, KS

Sir: Many of us in the Bastogne area are anxious to establish contact by mail with Americans who fought in our region during World War II.

MRS. MICHELINE DUPONT
22 Place de la Foire
6620 Neufchateau
Belgium

Sir: I served in WWI. It's time Congress did something about a pension for us.

R. S. SHACKELFORD
Cheyenne, WY

Sir: The April article about the troops in Russia in WWI was most interesting. My 332nd Infantry was the only regiment stationed in Italy, I believe. We did occupation duty in Austria-Hungary.

HENRY S. BLANK
Dayton, OH

Sir: We purchased the Panama Canal Zone and now we've given it away. Are the President and the Senate going to give away the Louisiana Purchase, and Alaska, too?

GRANT RITTER
Roscoe, IL

Sir: I noted the recent suggestion that employers count military service when giving pension credits. The United Mine Workers Union already does this.

FREDERICK MERVIN, SR.
Amsterdam, OH

Sir: I've just paid my 1979 dues and I want to say to all veterans: Just think what we wouldn't have if we didn't have The American Legion.

PAUL S. FULKERSON
San Francisco, CA
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The Ultimate Tax Shelter



by
TED NICHOLAS

Tax experts are now referring to a small, privately owned corporation as "The Ultimate Tax Shelter." This is especially true since the passage of the Tax Reform Act of 1976. This law makes most former tax shelters either obsolete, or of little advantage. Investments affected include real estate, oil and gas drilling, cattle feeding, movies, etc. These former tax shelters have lost their attractiveness. Aside from that, these tax shelters required a large investment. Only a small segment of the population could benefit from them.

I've written a book showing how you can form your own corporation. I've taken all the mystery out of it. Thousands of people have already used the system for incorporation described in the book. I'll describe how you may obtain it without risk and with a valuable free bonus.

A corporation can be formed by anyone at surprisingly low cost. And the government encourages people to incorporate, which is a little known fact. The government has recognized the important role of small business in our country. Through favorable legislation incorporating a small business, hobby, or sideline is perfectly legal and ethical. There are numerous tax laws favorable to corporate owners. Some of them are remarkable in this age of ever-increasing taxation. Everyone of us needs all the tax shelter we can get!

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There are still other advantages. Your own corporation enables you to more easily maintain continuity and facilitate transfer of ownership. Tax free fringe benefits can be arranged. You can set up your health and life insurance and other programs for you and your family wherein they are tax deductible. Another very important option available to you through incorporation is a medical reim-

bursement plan (MRP). Under an MRP, all medical, dental, pharmaceutical expenses for you and your family can become tax deductible to the corporation. An unincorporated person must exclude the first 3% of family's medical expenses from a personal tax return. For an individual earning \$20,000 the first \$600 are not deductible.

Retirement plans, and pension and profit-sharing arrangements can be set up for you with far greater benefits than those available to self-employed individuals.

A word of caution. Incorporating may not be for you right now. However, my book will help you decide whether or not a corporation is for you now or in the future. I review all the advantages and disadvantages in depth. This choice is yours after learning all the options. If you do decide to incorporate, it can be done by mail quickly and within 48 hours. You never have to leave the privacy of your home.

I'll also reveal to you some startling facts. Why lawyers often charge substantial fees for incorporating when often they prefer not to, and why two-thirds of the New York and American Stock Exchange companies incorporate in Delaware.

You may wonder how others have successfully used the book. Not only a small unincorporated business, but enjoyable hobbies, part time businesses, and even existing jobs have been set up as full fledged corporations. You don't have to have a big business going to benefit. In fact, not many people realize some very important facts. There are 30,000 new businesses formed in the U.S. each and every month. 98% of them are small businesses; often just one individual working from home.

To gain all the advantages of incorporating, it doesn't matter where you live, your age, race, or sex. All that counts is your ideas. If you are looking for some new ideas, I believe my book will stimulate you in that area. I do know many small businessmen, housewives, hobbyists, engineers, and lawyers who have acted on the suggestions in my book. A woman who was my former secretary is incorporated. She is now grossing over \$30,000 working from her home by providing a secretarial service to me and other local businesses. She works her own hours and has all the corporate advantages.

I briefly mentioned that you can start with no capital whatsoever. I know it can be done, since I have formed 18 companies of my own, and I began each

one of them with nothing. Beginning at age 22, I incorporated my first company which was a candy manufacturing concern. Without credit or experience, I raised \$96,000. From that starting point grew a chain of 30 stores. I'm proud of the fact that at age 29 I was selected by a group of businessmen as one of the outstanding businessmen in the nation. As a result of this award, I received an invitation to personally meet with the President of the United States.

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Los Angeles VA Regional Office approves millionth home loan... In informal ceremonies at the VA Regional Office in Los Angeles... Jack Dweck, right, Chief of the Loan Guaranty Division hands Edward Verdugo, a Vietnam Era Navy veteran, the approved papers for his home loan as wife, Melissa and son, Justin watch... The Verdugos will be living in Westchester... The Los Angeles VA Regional Office is the first to have reached the 1,000,000 mark in Home Loan Guaranties.

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VA OPENS SECOND REHABILITATIVE RESEARCH CENTER... VA Administrator Max Cleland has announced the establishment of a new Rehabilitative Engineering Research and Development Center at the VA hospital in Palo Alto, CA... The first such center is at

Hines VA hospital, Chicago... Cleland has ordered high priority and expanded support from the VA for rehabilitative engineering research in amputations, spinal cord injuries and other severe physical handicaps... The Palo Alto Center will work closely with the Stanford University School of Medicine and Stanford Engineering School... Projects already underway at the California facility include techniques for immobilizing patients with spinal cord injuries in such a way that healing is assured, yet the patient's mobility in non-spinal areas is unimpaired, a sonar-like system with micro-computerized controls which can be worn on eyeglasses to warn blind persons of hazards, and "robot" arms which will enable severely disabled veterans to perform virtually any manual task.

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SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME IN PENNSYLVANIA DRAWS CRITICISM... Pennsylvania Department Commander Eugene C. Eichelberger completed a tour of facilities at the Soldiers and Sailors home in Erie and voiced astonishment at the conditions he found... "I just couldn't believe that our veterans were living under such deplorable conditions," he said... Eichelberger told of seeing as many as eight veterans living together in one room, using clotheslines to store their belongings... The Commander said that the people of Pennsylvania should be ashamed that any veteran is treated in this way adding, "Governor Shapp and the Pennsylvania General Assembly should hold their heads in shame, expecting our veterans to live under such conditions."... Eichelberger said his criticism did not reflect on the performance of the Home's Superintendent, John Driscoll, who he said was "doing the best he can with what is available", but added that Pennsylvania's quarter-million Legionnaires will be demanding action "not promises" from the state's Military Affairs Department... New construction has begun with federal assistance, but according to Commander Eichelberger the new building "will not correct conditions in the present facilities" where the 175 residents pay for food and housing from their pension incomes.

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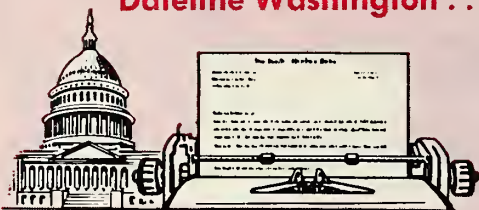
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WILL CIVIL DEFENSE GET ANOTHER TRY? PRE-PAID LEGAL INSURANCE MOVING UP. IS THE CAPITAL READY FOR STATEHOOD?

The endless U.S.—Soviet negotiations over limiting strategic weapons, and the continuing national debate over the "balance of terror" between the two countries, obscure attention on a move in Congress to revive and renew our moribund civil defense system.

Rep. Donald Mitchell (R-NY) has introduced legislation providing for a seven-year comprehensive civil defense program which will "guarantee the survival of a nation, its people, and a way of life sacred to us all."

Russia, he claims, is so far ahead of us in civil defense preparations for its population and its industries, that the USSR in effect has gained major advantage over us in the so-called "rough equivalence" between our military might. U.S. apathy over civil defense, Representative Mitchell observes, stems from the myth that a nuclear war would wipe out both countries. But there are ways of surviving for which the Soviet is prepared, and we are not, he maintains.

A slow trend toward pre-paid legal insurance, being pushed by some unions and civic groups, may have received an unexpected boost from President Carter's recent attack on the American bar. Ninety percent of our lawyers serve 10 percent of our people, the President declared.

Today, more than a million workers have a right to call on legal advice and help as a benefit in union labor contracts. Among other assistance, these beneficiaries get legal counsel, and direct assistance, in such areas as preparation of wills, arranging divorce, and defense against suits, and in some cases, even undertaking suits.

Among the unions, the pre-paid legal insurance is known as the Cadillac of the fringe benefits, but the idea is spreading.

The House by a two-thirds majority has voted to give the District of Columbia, which now has only a non-voting Delegate in the House, full representation in Congress, that is, two Senators and at least one Representative. Should the Senate similarly approve the legisla-

tion by the necessary two-thirds vote, the constitutional amendment would then also require ratification by 38 states.

An effort to gain House approval was rejected two years ago, but this time, there is strong bipartisan support for the District of Columbia measure.

PEOPLE & QUOTES

ENGLISH UNSPEAK

"That the effort to render English unintelligible is proceeding vigorously at the highest levels of learning." Essayist Howard Nemerov.

RED POLICY

"... Moscow and Havana intend to take advantage of every opportunity to demonstrate that those who accept their political philosophy can also count on receiving their assistance when it is needed." CIA Deputy Director Frank Carlucci.

TAX HIM, NOT ME

"Tax reform means don't tax you, don't tax me, tax that fellow under the tree." Louisiana Sen. Russell Long.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Much of television is what I call junk food for the mind . . . just something to pass the time." Actor Steve Allen.

RUNNING OUR NATION

"People can't agree on the facts, let alone the answer." Arizona Rep. Morris Udall.

WAY OF LIFE

"Conservation of energy must become a way of life—in our personal lives, and in commerce and industry." Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau.

SAVE OUR NAVY

"Abandonment of a pre-eminent naval presence in the world could well prove to be the single largest strategic, and political, mistake the United States might make in the 1970's and 1980's." Colorado Sen. Gary Hart.

NATO ALERT

"We in the Alliance must recognize that there can be no security if we ignore the consequences of Soviet activity outside the NATO geographic area of responsibility." NATO Chief, Gen. Alexander Haig.

USSR vs. USA

"In construction, the Soviet Union is not 10 years behind, not 100 years behind, but an epoch behind." Soviet dissident, Gen. Pyotr Grigorenko.

FREEST COUNTRY

"... I think all of us are so inclined to be detractive of the U.S., we should remember the most important thing—it remains the freest country, with the freest press." Publisher Rupert Murdoch.



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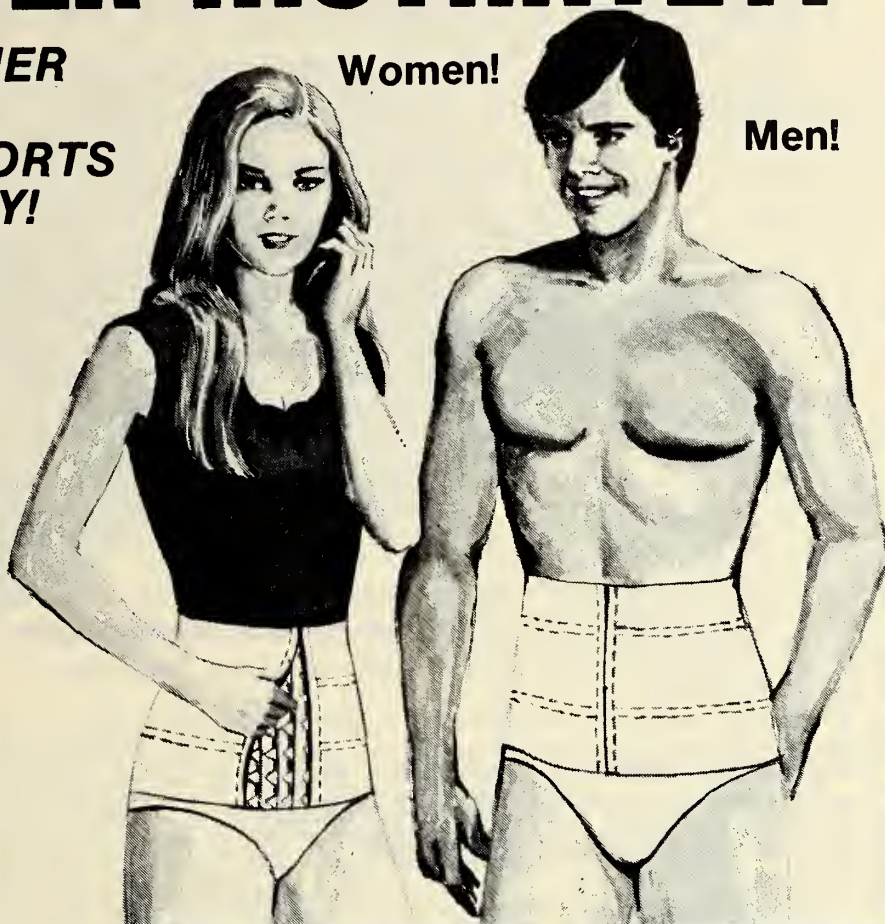
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The beginning is well known. It occurred during the War of 1812, when the youthful United States of America was fighting to secure its hard-won independence first declared in 1776. A young American lawyer, Francis Scott Key, wrote a lyric poem while on a diplomatic mission aboard an English frigate during the British bombardment of Fort McHenry on Chesapeake Bay, during the night of September 13-14, 1814. The British guns failed in their purpose, but Key's words were destined to resound through the rocket's glare to announce that the American flag was, and still is, there.

The very day after Key's poem was written, it was brought to the attention of a Baltimore printer who ran it off as a "broadside" (a single-sheet handbill), under the title "Defense of Fort McHenry."

One account has it that an actor-singer named Ferdinand Durang realized that the poem's words fitted a traditional English melody, "To Anacreon in Heaven," composed for the Anacreonic Club at London in 1771 by John Stafford Smith. On Sept. 15, 1814, Durang gathered a small crowd of Yankee civilians and colonial volunteer soldiers at McCauley's Tavern next to the Holliday Street Theatre in Baltimore. There, standing on a chair, Durang is said to have led the first singing of the song.

The origin of the melody was sometimes attributed to other composers, such as Samuel Arnold and Turlough O'Carolan, but the claims for Smith as the true composer are now generally accepted. Francis Scott Key had, in 1806, written verses of similar meter for the same melody by Smith.

Key's new poem was next published in the Baltimore *Patriot* of Sept. 20 and the Baltimore *American* of Sept.

21, 1814, under the title "Bombardment of Fort McHenry" without naming its author.

Historians disagree on a report that Durang was called upon to sing the song again several nights later at the Holliday Street Theatre, or possibly at the same tavern next door. No theatrical programs were being presented in Baltimore during this period. On Oct. 19, 1814, however, a performance of the play *Count Benyowski* was given at the Holliday Street Theatre with the playbill announcement that: "After the play, Mr. Harding will sing a much admired *New Song*, written by a gentleman of Maryland, in commemoration of the Gallant Defense of Fort McHenry, called 'THE STAR-

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SPANGLED BANNER'." No coverage of this musical rendition, or further information regarding the obscure singer Harding, has come to light, but it is known that the song was sung again sometime in November of 1814 at a performance "commemorating the repulse of the enemy from Baltimore."

Although successful despite its difficult melodic range of an octave-and-a-fifth, "The Star-Spangled Banner" dawdled on the road to national maturity. The spirited tune "Yankee Doodle" from the French and Indian War and the powerful "Hail, Columbia," as well as other nationalistic airs, were more popular. Not until the Civil War did "The Star-Spangled Banner" take on a tardy significance.

Several parodies of the song were written as Americans turned against each other. One embittered Southern version, author unknown, titled

"Cross of the South," began:

"Oh, say can you see through the gloom and the storm
How peaceful and blest was America's soil,
'Til betrayed by the guile of the Puritan demon
Which lurks under virtue and springs from its coil
To fasten its fangs on the lifeblood of freemen . . ."

In reply, youthful Massachusetts lawyer Oliver Wendell Holmes penned:

"When our land is illumined with Liberty's smile,
If a foe from within strike a blow at her glory,
Down, down with the traitor that dares to defile
The flag of her stars and the page of her story!
By the millions unchained when our birthright was gained,
We will keep her bright blazon unstained! . . ." etc.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" still waved at war's end but the song suffered and criticism seemed to still patriotic fervor. It was not performed at the opening of the six-month American Centennial exhibition in Philadelphia on May 10, 1876. An orchestra of 150 and chorus of 1,000 voices gave a 30-minute rendition of "national airs" climaxed with "Hail, Columbia."

On Sunday, July 2, 1876, however, in New York City, a festival Centennial celebration sponsored by the New York Allgemeine Saengerbund, a 50-piece orchestra and 400-voice choir, concluded a concert of music by German composers with a performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Two days later, New York City held a large public celebration-review at Union Square, where massed military bands and a 500-voice choir "thrillingly rendered" the song "with a vigor and well-marked style," according to the New York *Times*, which also noted "the early choruses (were) sung with poor effect."

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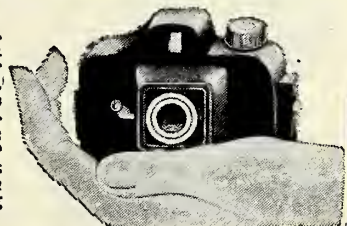
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Then Riccardo Capovilla glanced up at the horizon. He stopped abruptly. He closed his eyes, but when he reopened them it still loomed out there, 50 feet from the water's edge, like a gray whale. A long kelp-like strand dangled from its nose. It made not a sound as it slowly approached.

It was an airship—a blimp. A long rope from its front end dragged along the top of the water. The propellers were not turning. No crew was in sight.

But whose airship? Ours? Japanese? Was Capovilla unfortunate enough to be the only American around when the long-feared enemy assault finally began?

The ship reached the shoreline and made a little turn in the sea breeze. Capovilla saw UNITED STATES NAVY. He could breathe again. But why was the airship landing here? And its shape was not right. There was a deep crease across its middle, as if some giant had straddled it and broken its back.

The ship's single landing wheel dragged across the sand. The craft rose gently and moved up along the high ground and across the road. The gondola scraped, a depth charge broke free and rolled down an embank-

ment. Free of the weight, the ship jumped quickly to 100 feet and continued inland, out of Capovilla's sight.

Capovilla ran to his car and raced to phone the San Francisco Police Department.

Sgt. William Brannan of the Ingleside Station was in Radio Car No. 1 when he spotted the craft. Brannan sounded his siren to clear the streets, but people ran from their homes to see what the excitement was about.

Caddies at the Lake Merced Golf and Country Club saw it disappear between two hills and then bounce up, its starboard engine packed with dirt and grass.

Elmer Kennedy, an assistant battalion chief of the Daly City Fire Department, saw it approaching just above the tree tops and power poles. "It looked like a big broken wiener," he said.

Mrs. Horace Appleton was in her kitchen when she heard what sounded like heavy chains dragging across the roof of her Daly City home. The room darkened and she smelled the strong odor of helium. The sky out the window was filled with a big airship. She watched it gasp through one last hop and fall into the street in front of 419 Bellevue Avenue, the home of William Morris. A power line broke and sent arcs of lightning into the air. The helium bag draped itself lazily over Morris' 1928 Dodge. Morris looked out just in time to see his car disappear beneath the blimp and his lawn disappear beneath some 2,000 spectators.

Firemen, policemen and air-raid wardens formed a cordon to hold back the crowd. Within minutes, Navy and Army units armed with rifles and bayonets took over an excited, confused Bellevue Avenue.

To prevent the blimp from rising again, firemen tore large wounds in its gas bag. Fireman Thomas O'Brien climbed into the gondola. The door was latched open—rather odd, he thought. The safety bar to block the open doorway was not in place. The pilot's hat still lay on the instrument panel. A microphone attached to an outside speaker system dangled through the open doorway. The radio was on and working. The ignition switches for the engine were on. The gasoline fuel lines were open and there was still plenty of fuel in the tanks. It was as if the engines stalled. Why? Where was the pilot, his passengers? Their parachutes and the rubber life raft were still in place. There seemed nothing amiss in the cabin

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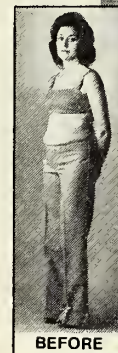


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Forty-Five Minutes From Broadway

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George M. Cohan

America's Yankee Doodle Dandy would have been 100 years old this Fourth of July.

George M. Cohan didn't make the century mark, he died in 1942; but his music and his reputation will live as long as there's a "grand old flag," and as long as Americans serve "over there."

A critic once asked Cohan if he could write a song or a show without a flag.

"I can write a song or a show with nothing but a pencil," he barked.

Fortunately for all Americans, everything the Irish vaudeville kid was born to in Providence, RI came out red, white and blue.

For the first two decades of the 20th century, Cohan dominated the New York theater and gave the nation and the world the American

Leave Her Home?" and Cohan followed quickly with "Hot Tamale Alley," a forgettable hit called "I Guess I'll Have to Telegraph My Baby," and "You're the Warmest Baby in the Bunch."

And he was a professional Irishman. His "H-A-double R-I-G-A-N Spells Harrigan" rings out every St. Patrick's Day in a timeless salute to Ed Harrigan, an old family friend and vaudevillian.

For half a century; no, for all of 64 years, George M. Cohan somehow knew what America was thinking, or what it wanted to think, and in 1939 Congress and President Franklin D. Roosevelt said "thank you" by awarding Cohan the Congressional Medal of Honor for his inspirational songs "You're a Grand Old Flag" and "Over There." Cynics said the

Refrain



musical comedy. He was hailed as the "prince of Broadway," "the man who owned Broadway," the real life "Yankee Doodle Dandy who went to London, just to ride a pony."

He was the epitome of the New Yorker who visited friends in New Rochelle, and came back to Manhattan to write "Only 45 Minutes from Broadway . . . Oh, what a difference it makes."

He was the sentimentalist who captivated every woman in the land with "Mary Is a Grand Old Name" and "So Long Mary." (But he married a girl named Ethel Levey in 1899, divorced her, then married Agnes Nolan in 1907.)

He had a roguish side, too. At 16 a publisher bought "Why did Nellie

award was part of the conditioning of the American public for a return of the martial spirit and eventual entry into World War II. But where Cohan was concerned, the cynics were in a distinct minority.

"If ever a man put his love of country on a song sheet, it was George M. Cohan," said his longtime producer-partner Sam Harris.

In more recent years it's been said that Cohan's view of America was simplistic; that he made millions by writing about an American dream that never really existed, that he wrote of ideals that men and women wore like Sunday finery, but never really worked in. No matter, Cohan captured the American idea in the surging early 20th century when a

Song sheets and various poses capture essence of George M. Cohan, the Yankee Doodle Dandy who was born on the Fourth of July and grew up to be the man who owned Broadway and the heart of America. At left he is a turn-of-the-century song and dance man. Top right is a teenage vaudeville pose; center right is successful Broadway producer, 1920; lower right, still whimsical older Cohan, rich in memories





President Franklin Roosevelt awards Medal of Honor to Cohan in gratitude for songs like "Over There" and "You're a Grand Old Flag"

bustling, building young giant was forcing its way onto the world stage. The fact that his music lives on, that four generations of Americans can sing his most popular lyrics is testimony enough that he knew what he was writing about.

And how many times this Fourth of July do you suppose television stations will show Jimmy Cagney's memorable Academy Award portrayal of "The Yankee Doodle Dandy?"

Cohan wrote of the America he knew. And he had an uncanny knack for writing in rhyme.

"I scribbled parodies and patter for comedians, comic songs and extra verses for serio comics, and even took a shot at a couple of afterpieces for burlesque shows," he once said. "After awhile, I got to writing sketches for variety teams, and orders came so fast that I found it was impossible to supply the demand. With parodies in every pocket and sketch manuscripts under my arm, I was soon the envy of all the pencil pushers in the variety branch of the theatrical game."

At one point, Cohan even contracted to produce a show on Broadway without the slightest idea of what it was going to be about.

His first hit show on Broadway, "Little Johnny Jones" opened in 1904. It had three hit songs: "Yan-

kee Doodle Boy," "Give My Regards to Broadway," and "Goodbye Flo."

He followed with a show titled "Give My Regards to Broadway" that left its audiences singing and humming "45 Minutes from Broadway," "So Long Mary" and "Mary Is a Grand Old Name."

In 1906 came "George Washington, Jr.," a show that was built around the song "You're a Grand Old Flag." In the first performances the title was "You're a Grand Old Rag," but when critics complained that Cohan was profaning the Stars and Stripes he quickly changed the lyrics.

The idea for the song, he said, came from a Civil War veteran with whom he once rode in a funeral cortege. The veteran was holding a folded American flag on his lap and recounting stories of the War Between the States. As he talked he stroked the flag fondly and finally he said, "she's a grand old rag. . . ."

Historians of American musical comedy rate "Give My Regards to Broadway" the most successful musical staged in America since "The Black Greek" in 1868 and they regard Cohan's hit as the show that set Broadway's trends for 30 years.

Speed and audience identification were Cohan's keys. He based his shows on living personalities or easy-to-identify situations. "Running for Office" was based on the activities of "Big Tim" Sullivan, leader of New York's famous (or infamous) Tammany Hall. Politics always fascinated Cohan. So did baseball. He was a regular at Yankee Stadium and the Polo Grounds.

Rennold Wolf, critic for the *Morning Telegraph*, complained that "if Cohan would play fair and give his audience a chance to catch its breath it might make a few unkind remarks."

But Oscar Hammerstein, II, premier theatrical producer, said "Cohan's genius was to say simply what everybody was unconsciously feeling." And the *New York Times'* Brooks Atkinson wrote "Cohan's songs, both words and music, were sublimations of the mood of their day. They said what millions of people would have said if they had Cohan's talent."

Cohan himself described his music as "full of Irishness and nonsense."

Scorning sharps and flats, he said "I could never find use for over four or five notes in my musical numbers." The result? Everyone, it seemed, could remember them.

The man who came to own Broadway, arrived with impeccable credentials. His parents were Jeremiah (Jerry) Cohan and Helen (Nellie) Costigan. Jerry was born in Boston in 1848, the son of Michael Keohane and Jane Scott, both immigrants from County Cork in Ireland. In Ireland, Jerry's ancestors spelled their name "O'Caomhen." It was apparently simplified to Keohane before they set sail for America, but immigration officers of the day shortened it again to Cohan.

The name is generally pronounced "Co-Han," but George liked "Co-En." It was thought he derived the pronunciation from his many Jewish friends in the theater.

Jerry was the son of a tailor, saw brief duty in the Union Army during the Civil War, became a harness maker and wandered into show business because of his ready wit and a knack for Irish songs and dances taught him by his parents.

By 1874, he was established on the New England vaudeville circuit when he married Nellie and promptly made her part of the act. A daughter Maude, born in 1875, died in infancy. Josie came along in 1876 and George



Famed songstress Nora Bayes was one of the first to introduce "Over There" to World War I Broadway

two years later. The mother, father, daughter and son were destined to become one of America's foremost theatrical families, playing together as The Four Cohans for more than 30 years. Audiences came to anticipate George's inevitable curtain call: "My mother thanks you, my father thanks you, my sister thanks you . . . and I thank you."

George got his first billing with the family at age nine in 1887 as "Master George—Violin Tricks and Tinkling Tunes." He hated the violin. His first starring role in "Peck's Bad Boy" came at age 13. That role was almost his undoing. In town after town, local boys would lurk near the stage door to pounce on the "kid actor" to find out if he was really as tough as the character he portrayed on the stage. According to Jerry, George usually took care of himself.

By the 1890's the Four Cohans were headliners across the country, from the Orpheum in San Francisco to Tony Pastor's Music Hall in New York. (The family decided to play New York for the first time in 1893 after George threatened to run away to the big city on his own.)

The closeness of the Cohan family was incredible and it showed through in George's songs.

Cohan's generosity was legendary. Comedian Eddie Cantor called Cohan "one of the softest touches in show business. For many years he sent weekly checks to unemployed actors, disabled wardrobe women, stagehands and anyone who, at one time or another, had been associated with him."

In 1906 Cohan arranged relief shows for victims of the San Francisco earthquake. During World War I he was a premier star at Liberty Bond rallies and he raised money for survivors of the torpedoed *Lusitania*.

Friends told the story that one close pal, Edward Selwyn cabled Cohan, requesting \$1,000 for his sick wife. Cohan sent Selwyn a signed blank check. "You fill in the amount you need," he said.

George M. Cohan, the Yankee Doodle Dandy, owned more than Broadway. He owned a big chunk of the heart of America. One hundred years after his birth, 36 years after his death, he still does.

—Peter Kalt



The four Cohans who headlined vaudeville bills from coast to coast

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Capt. Harry S. Truman in 1918

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He was a man of controversy and contrast. He also was a man of conviction, compassion, integrity, loyalty and decision.

Capt. Harry S Truman, Battery D, 129th Field Artillery, 35th Division, was the independent man from Independence, MO.

tillery School at Fort Sill, OK.

Then came America's entry into World War I. Capt. Harry S Truman soon found himself in Europe assigned as commander of Battery D, which was largely composed of Irish Catholics, described as an unruly corral of unbusted bronchos. They were a devil-may-care group.

"They were from Kansas City, many of them college boys from Rockhurst College, which is a Jesuit school," Truman later recalled. "They were well educated, many of them, but they were wild."

Captain Harry of Battery D

On any scale down, Harry S Truman measured No. 1 as a youth, citizen, husband, father, soldier, American Legionnaire and political leader. En route, he made a mark few men can equal.

Truman's ascendancy to be the 33rd President really is not relevant to this story. But the character he displayed in WW I is.

A native of Lamar, MO, Truman was educated in public schools in Independence. From 1901 to 1905, he worked variously as a reporter, railroad timekeeper and bank clerk. Even in those days it wasn't an auspicious start for a young man.

He had his sights set on West Point when he joined the Missouri National Guard in 1905, but West Point turned him down because of poor eyesight.

From 1906 to 1917 he worked on his father's farm—"plowing a straight furrow," he liked to say. He left the farm to enter the Field Ar-

When Captain Truman took command, the battery was standing at attention, ready to let its Irish blood boil over. The men expected the worst. Nothing happened. Truman inspected and dismissed them.

"From that time on I knew that Harry Truman had captured the hearts of those Irishmen of Battery D, and he never lost it," said Judge Albert A. Ridge of the Federal District Court in Kansas City.

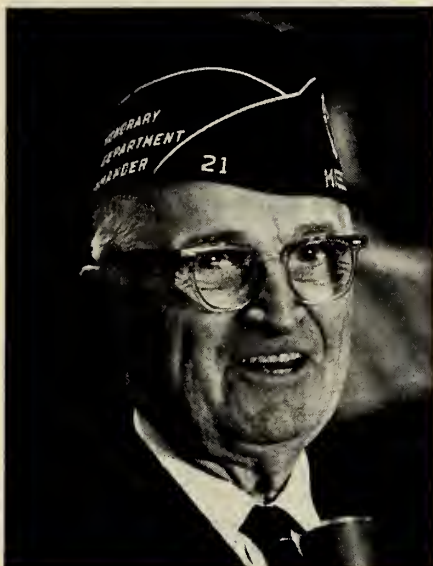
But Truman told the colonel who assigned him to Battery D that "he might as well send me home right then and there. I was never so scared in my life, not even later when we were under fire, but—I—well, it was one of the things I had to do and I did it."

These quotations are found in "Plain Speaking," an oral biography of Harry Truman by Merle Miller (Copyright 1973, Berkley Publishing Corp., New York City).

Although they didn't serve to-



President Truman dedicates Washington, DC Headquarters Building of The American Legion in a 1951 ceremony



President Truman addresses an American Legion convention

gether in France, one of Truman's greatest friends during his early period was Eddie Jacobson, a Jew. Together they had organized a canteen at Camp Doniphan, a training center at Fort Sill for their regiment of the 35th. With meager funds but shrewd management, they operated a business that ultimately netted their regiment \$15,000 in dividends.

Eugene Donnelly, a veteran of Battery D and later a Kansas City lawyer, recalled: "We were a pretty rough bunch of boys; anyway, we thought we were. We'd already got rid of four commanding officers when Harry came along. He looked like a sitting duck. He was sort of small with four eyes.

"And when he called all the non-coms together and said, 'now look, I didn't come here to get along with you guys. You're going to have to get along with me, and if any of you thinks he can't, why, speak right up, and I'll give you a punch in the nose'.

"He was tough, but he was fair; he was a good officer.

"I remember once a bunch of us were going to Paris on furlough and we didn't have any money. Harry found out about it and lent us the money we needed. We'd have done anything for him then, and nobody I know has changed his mind."

Two more excerpts from Miller's book substantiate what his men thought of the commander of Battery D.

Mike Flynn of Kansas City said: "I first got acquainted with Harry Truman in 1917. I was transferring from Battery D to Battery E, but I saw a lot of him during the war. He was very much respected.

"He used to get a lot of letters from old Irish mothers of the boys

in the outfit, and most battery commanders, company commanders, wouldn't pay any attention, but not Harry. I don't think he ever went to bed at night before he answered every one of those letters.

"I used to come, maybe late, maybe toward nearly dawn even, and I'd see him in his tent writing letters, answering the letters he got that day. And he never changed. Even after he got to be President.

"In 1948, in December, we had a bad accident. My only son . . . he had just been married two years, and we were driving when an old truck skidded in front of us, and my son was badly hurt . . . he lasted only five days.

"And during the time we were praying at his funeral I received a telegram of condolence from Harry Truman. I don't know how he was notified. I don't think he ever was. I think he saw it in the paper . . . I would say, if you were to ask me, I would say that Harry Truman was the kindest and most thoughtful man I have ever known. Bar none."

And from Eddie Meissburger, another veteran of Battery D:

"The men trusted him to get them through the war and get them back home. And he went out of his way to help them.

"That was illustrated I think by something that happened when we were on a march in the Vosges mountains on our way into the St. Mihiel sector.

"The men would be walking all day and leading their horses, and the infantry would ride by in trucks and yell at us to join the infantry and ride.

"Anyway, they were riding and we were walking. And we were pretty well fagged out. And the colonel of the regiment came by and, by the way, he had a fine mount. He came down the road one afternoon and started sounding off about how we were just straggling along and were a sight to behold and so on, and he wanted to know whose outfit it was.

"Captain Truman was walking at the time because he had put his own horse into harness to help pull the guns. That's how bad things were. They had to have that horsepower. So he was walking with us. When the colonel came up, Captain Truman said that this was his outfit, Battery D.

"And the colonel said it was a hell of a looking outfit and that he wanted the men to be called to attention and fall in and double-time up the hill about half a mile away.

"Captain Truman realized the

men were out on their feet, and instead of giving the men a double-time order, he took us off the road, gave us a right turn and took us into a forest with instructions to put the horses on the picket line and to bed the men down.

"And he said that he would go down and see the colonel, which he did. And he risked a court-martial by his action. But he told the colonel that his men weren't going any farther. They were going to rest that night. And he said if the colonel wanted his job, why, to court-martial him.

"The result was, he came back with orders that we'd stay right there that night and the whole outfit bedded down.

In his "Memoirs," Truman recalls his baptism of fire.

"We fired our first barrage on the night of Sept. 6 (1917)," he wrote. "We were occupying an old French position which probably was fairly well known to the Germans, and as soon as we had finished the barrage they returned the compliment. My battery became panic-stricken, and all but five or six scattered like partridges. Finally I got them back together without losing any men, although we had six horses killed."

World War I changed the course of his life. His associations and the friends he made at St. Mihiel and the Argonne would provide a springboard from which his political career could be launched.

All through the years between the wars his warmest and most loyal friends, the men with whom he played poker and went to regimental reunions and American Legion conventions supported him for public office. They had fought in France together. They were Democrats and



Even after leaving the White House, Truman, in his role of elder statesman, continued to savor his Legion association

they were also Republicans.

As a lieutenant, Truman was selected to go overseas ahead of the division in March 1918, with some other officers for advanced training at the French artillery school at Chantillon-sur-Seine. There he received word that he had been promoted to captain.

He rejoined the regiment at Coetquidan, where they picked up French horse-drawn 75's and at Rennes he assumed command of Battery D.

Battery D's personnel had been described as being "90 percent pick handle and shanty from Kansas City." It was with difficulty that this outfit had been dissuaded by a regimental colonel from substituting a shamrock for the crossed cannon on the battery guidon. And they were put under Captain Truman, a Missouri Baptist and Mason.

When he was discharged in 1919 as a major, Truman and his old pal Eddie Jacobson couldn't make a go of a haberdashery shop. Times just weren't right. So Harry attended Kansas City Law School and began dabbling in local politics. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1934 and to the Vice Presidency in 1944, becoming President on the death of Franklin Roosevelt, April 12, 1945.

He was elected on his own in 1948.

As President, military decisions were always on his desk. He declared the "Truman Doctrine" which stopped communist encroachment in Greece, Turkey and the eastern Mediterranean. After a futile attempt to woo Joseph Stalin, Truman ordered a get-tough-with-Russia policy and the airlift that beat the 1948 Soviet blockade of Berlin. He appointed Dwight D. Eisenhower as Supreme Commander of NATO. He made the decision to drop the A-bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, saving millions of American casualties that would have been suffered if the United States had been forced to invade the main islands of Japan to end World War II. He fired Gen. Douglas MacArthur, a legendary American military hero, for insubordination during the Korean war.

In 1950, President Harry S Truman dedicated the Washington office building of The American Legion.

World War I Series

This is another in the monthly series of articles on American participation in World War I. The series marks the 60th anniversary of the Great War and the deeds of the men and women who founded the American Legion.

Black American Units Won Salute From French on July 4, 1918

IN EARLY JUNE of 1918, the first black troops of the American Expeditionary Force arrived in France to take their place in the front lines beside French troops.

General Order No. 215, June 6, 1918, issued by the French Army read in part, "At the moment when two American colored regiments join us I am bowing to their colors and I am wishing the best welcome to our new companions in arms.

"The French units of the 157th Division will give, I am sure, the best welcome to their American brothers in arms who crossed the sea for the triumph of civilization, justice and liberty in the world."

The 157th consisted of two regiments of black American infantry and one regiment of French infantry, backed by French artillery, cavalry, engineers and other supporting units.

The two American black regiments were the 371st formed and disbanded at Camp Jackson, SC, and the 372nd formed at Camp Stewart, VA and disbanded at Camp Sherman, OH.

Assigned to the Avocourt sector, the new division took over trenches made famous earlier during the battle of Verdun. Names like Mort Homme, Montfaucon, Forges Creek and Esnes brought back memories of titanic struggles in 1915 and 1916.

The Germans were quick to test the Americans and when French officers saw them stand their

ground, they showered respect on their new comrades.

On the Fourth of July, Gen. Mariano Goybet, commanding general of the 157th, issued a General Order taking "special notice of the fact that this is the first 4th of July to be celebrated by his Franco-American Division. It is a striking demonstration of the long-standing and blood-cemented friendship which binds together our two great nations . . .!"

The Franco-American division was to serve well until the Armistice and on Nov. 11, Goybet said, "... for seven months we lived as brothers in arms sharing the same burdens, the same hardships, the same dangers. We have participated in the great battle of Champagne, which was crowned by such a magnificent victory. The 157th Division will never forget the irresistible and heroic rush of the colored American regiments up the Côte des Observatoires and into the Plaine de Monthois. The most formidable defenses, the strongest machine gun nests, the most crushing artillery barrages were unable to stop them . . .!"

The American elements were demobilized on Feb. 28, 1919. In his farewell order, Col. Perry L. Miles said, "You have had a unique and brilliant service. You have suffered hardships uncomplainingly and stood up to battle losses heroically. . . ."

—Philip R. Smith, Jr.

He said, in part:

"We didn't start this organization just to look out for our own interests as veterans or to give an excuse for reminiscing about what heroes we had been.

"We started this organization so that we could work together as patriotic citizens for the good of all Americans. That is what we have been trying to do for the past 30 years. . . ."

Truman was a life member of Tirey J. Ford Post 21, Independence, MO, becoming an active Legionnaire

after his discharge from the Army and his return to Missouri in 1919.

In an address before the 1962 American Legion National Convention, Truman said:

"For 38 years I was chairman of the Missouri delegation to the National Conventions of The American Legion." In his speech dedicating the Washington office building, he reminisced about his early days as a Legionnaire in Missouri "when I helped to establish four Legion posts."

Truman was the first Legionnaire to be elected President. ■

The Fourth of July: Paris, 1918

It was the Fourth of July, 1918, in Paris. Contingents of the armies of all the Allies were assembled for a giant testimonial against the enemy in World War I.

On my way to the parade I stopped at a street corner near the Etoile to admire an old lady's lapful of many-petaled scarlet anemones.

I asked, "How do you call them?"

"Coquelicots. Two sous."

I handed her a large copper piece, expecting a few blossoms in exchange. To my astonishment she rose from her stool and emptied her voluminous black skirt into my arms. Thus decorated in glory, I tripped down the boulevard toward the Seine, lifting my face to a shower that fell from a seemingly cloudless sky. The transparent rain, the crisp sunlight, the high hope of Paris!

The tall old hotel at No. 1 Place d'Iena was occupied by the United States Naval Aviation headquarters. Beneath its tiers of balconies the serpentine crowds were beginning to surge. A Marine sergeant was studiously keeping the entrance clear. He bowed to admit me.

Pressing close beside me, a pale young French girl asked pleadingly, "Please let me to watch the parade from an upper window?"

The sergeant hesitated, then entrusted her to me. She walked beside me up the wide stair. Her words seemed to be bubbling out. She was Madame Clark, she said, the three-day bride of an English aviator who had that morning returned to his squadron. She had the look of a bride—tendrils of light-brown hair, emotional eyes. Her chin quivered, her slender wrists gestured as she spoke.

Across the boulevard from the balcony where we stationed ourselves, in the center of the Place d'Iena, rose a pompous equestrian statue of the father of my country—George Washington—like an earnest guardian of a relationship between the French girl and me.

The colorful phalanxes swung past, while the French girl and I swayed as though we, too, were marchers being woven into history.

When the French division advanced—faded blue uniforms on weary short men with black mustaches—the voice of the girl at my shoulder throbbed: "*Nos petits bleus!*" She was staring through tears that brimmed but did not fall.

That terrible, compassionate cry! The French soldiers had endured

four years of anguish, yet they were still sturdy of spirit if no longer of body. Yes, *our* little blues.

Next in the parade came the jaunty United States troops. Plenty of spring in those legs! Each man seemed twice the size of the blues.

Madame Clark tearfully exclaimed, "*You came in time, you came in time!*"

It awakened in me a crushing recognition of the world's debt to France for her culture, her patriots. Suddenly I was ashamed we had not gone to France's rescue earlier.

When the last of the military units

had passed, Madame Clark and I dove into the wildly celebrating throng at the Place de la Concorde. There the Statue of Strasbourg, which for so long had been draped in black, was now festooned in flowers. (The black drape was a constant reminder to Parisians of the loss of Alsace-Lorraine to Germany in the War of 1870.) To me, that day, my companion was France. I hope I gave her the armful of coquelicots, but I don't remember. I took her address before we separated, but it, too, has long been lost. Lost, I suppose, with youth.

—by Glenn Clairmonte

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Three 'White Houses'

The homes of Presidents have earned such designations as "the Texas White House," "the Plains White House" "the western White House"—wherever the Chief Executive spends his time when not in Washington. Three such "White Houses," including that of the Confederacy, lure summer vacationers

DURING his lifetime, Herbert Hoover was known as a humanitarian, an engineer and the 31st President of the United States. Today, that spirit lingers on in West Branch, Iowa, Hoover's birthplace and location of the Herbert Hoover Historic Site.

Established a year after Hoover died, in 1964 at the age of 90, the historic site is less than one mile north of Interstate 80 at the West Branch exit, some ten miles east of Iowa City. Visitors can see the birthplace cottage, the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and the burial site of the former President and First Lady. The two-room cottage was built by Hoover's father, Jesse Clark Hoover, in 1870. Herbert Hoover was born there Aug. 10, 1874, and it was the family home until 1879, when they moved to a larger house in West Branch. The cottage has been restored and features much of the furniture and many of the belongings the Hoovers used there.

Just across the street is a replica of the blacksmith shop Jesse Clark Hoover ran while a resident of West Branch. The shop is fitted with authentic period tools and implements, including a bellows-fired forge. Smithies work at the forge, providing a touch of realism.

The Friends Meetinghouse, recalling Hoover's Quaker upbringing, also stands near the cottage. Hulda, Hoover's mother, once preached here.

Other period homes have been preserved to create a village within a village, allowing visitors a unique glimpse into the life of a former President.

Herbert Hoover National Historic Site is open 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. throughout the year, except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

—Warren H. Spencer



Hoover Birthplace

A SIGN ALONG HIGHWAY 290 near Johnson City, TX points to the LBJ Ranch, site of the one-time "Texas White House" and birthplace of the late President Lyndon Baines Johnson.

The National Park Service provides open-air buses with uniformed guides. Guides play tape recordings made by President Johnson shortly before his death. On one tape the President said he returned to the scene of his childhood whenever possible because the climate is better, water purer, air cleaner and "even the stars shine brighter."

First stop on the guided tour is the Junction School where he en-



Johnson Birthplace

rolled in 1912. It was heated by a wood stove. Next is the four-room house set in a grove of pecan trees where LBJ was born. It is typical of homes built in the late 1890's by English and German settlers. It contains some original furniture.

President Johnson is buried about 400 yards from the house along the Pedernales River. The plot contains graves of about 15 family members. The LBJ tombstone is not ornate but a wreath of fresh flowers is placed on it daily.

Mr. Johnson bought the "Texas White House" from an aunt in 1952. The house is off-limits to visitors but tour buses stop outside so visitors can snap photos over a white fence.

About one million people visit the LBJ Ranch each year. There are good overnight accommodations in Johnson City. The ranch is only an hour's drive from Austin.

—M. S. Chipp



Jefferson Davis Home

INTERSTATE highways I-95 and I-65 bring motorists to Richmond, capital of Virginia and Capital of the Confederacy, and within a few blocks of two famous homes—the "White House" of the Confederacy and the residence of Gen. Robert E. Lee. Both have been rescued as museums and are open to the public.

Richmond is one of the richest cities in America in history and in contributions to the Republic. Other favorite sights there with visitors are St. John's Church, where Patrick Henry shouted his plea "Give me liberty or give me death"; and the Capitol Building, designed by Thomas Jefferson, where General Lee took command of the Army of Northern Virginia in 1861.

The White House of the Confederacy still stands as a memorial to a lost cause. President Jefferson Davis and his family lived in the three-story columned home from August 1, 1861 until April 12, 1865.

Nearby is the red-brick Robert E. Lee house, which early in the War Between the States was used as bachelor quarters for young officers, including Lee's son, Gen. Custis Lee. It became Lee's home in 1864.

Visitors will find the sword and uniform worn by Lee during the surrender at Appomattox, Davis' Colt revolver and personal effects, various battle flags, books, art, money, photos and other memorabilia of the soldiers in gray, including the Great Seal of the Confederacy.

The house was built in 1817 by Dr. John Brockenbrough, a prominent Richmond banker and was designed by Robert Mills, a leading architect of his day.

The Robert E. Lee house was built in 1844. In 1864, the officers billeted in the house relinquished their lease to Mrs. Robert E. Lee and her daughters, who were then homeless. Lee himself returned to the house following the Confederate surrender.

—Michael Remas

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45-54	14,520	12,100	9,680	7,260	4,840	2,420
55-59	7,920	6,600	5,280	3,960	2,640	1,320
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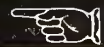
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Opposing Views on a Question of Increasing Importance

Should the United

WHEN I finished my college economics course in the 1950's, a free trade policy made sense. Twenty-five years later, reality requires a different conclusion: free trade policies are allowing foreign nations to take advantage of the United States.

The free trade philosophy worked when the U.S. economy was so strong it could set international standards. It would still work if the world economy was expanding. But starting with the 1974-1975 world-wide recession, international economics changed rapidly, and the United States has paid the price ever since.

The answer: we need fair trade, not free trade.

The world today penalizes free trade. Our businesses do not compete with foreign manufacturers, but against the resources of entire governments. For example, 45 percent of the free world steel capacity outside the United States is government owned. Moreover, free trade vanishes when countries erect barriers against American products. Is it free trade when Japan marks up the price of a Buick Regal from \$7,995 to \$15,883? No wonder Japan imports less than 1 percent of its cars.

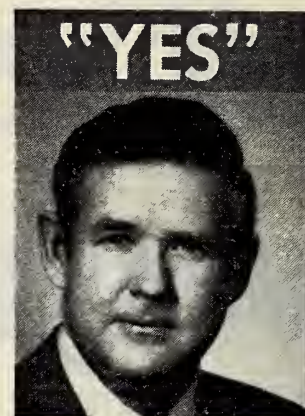
Americans pay the price of our import policy in several ways. First, entire industries—shoes and TV manufacturing are examples—have been virtually destroyed by unchecked foreign-government-subsidized competition. Second, foreign countries sell at prices below profit to keep their citizens employed. They export their unemployment to the United States. Third, massive imports lead to trade deficits which create inflation by lowering the dollar's value which forces U.S. prices up. Finally, the impact is disastrous in towns that depended on import-riddled industries.

Import restrictions will work. In some industries foreign producers should be restricted to a certain

share of the market. This protects our economy while still allowing trade and competition. Another option is unfair trade practice mechanisms—such as anti-dumping laws—which if strictly enforced will prevent countries from selling goods at prices way below their actual production cost.

The points raised against such import restrictions fail the test of reality. First, the American market is the largest in the world. We need not fear mass retaliation by foreign countries, because they cannot afford to lose the entire U.S. market. Second, import restrictions work. Specialty steel illustrates an instance where a controlled import level allowed a U.S. industry to rebuild and compete while not totally eliminating foreign competition. Third, cheap imports lower some prices in the short run, but we all pay through unemployment programs, lost taxes and industrial decline.

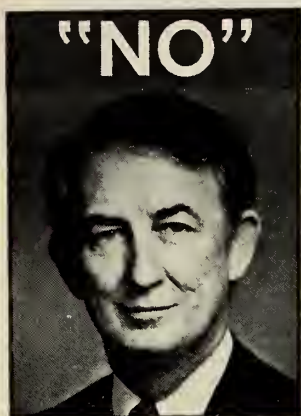
We do not need to close our markets totally to foreign products, but neither can we cling to free trade theories. We need realistic policies to protect our economy, and a fair trade plan with reasonable restrictions will reach that goal.



Rep. John P. Murtha
(D-PA)

If you wish to let your Congressman know how you feel on this issue, fill out

States Curb Imports?



Rep. Sam M. Gibbons
(D-FL)

SHOW me an import restriction and I'll show you higher consumer prices or adverse effects on some American workers. All too often, the adverse effects will outweigh any benefits, and import restrictions will mean a weaker U.S. economy.

Earlier this year, the President announced that he would restrict foreign

steel imports coming into this country and would give government aid to the ailing U.S. basic steel industry. Having watched several big steel companies fail to modernize and also move into other lines of business over the years, I was skeptical about this effort, but I decided to see what would happen.

Higher prices for U.S. consumers are what has happened. Since the President's announcement, U.S. steel companies have raised their prices twice. The second increase announced by the country's largest steel producer was \$10.50 a ton. That was more than twice what the Council on Wage and Price Stability calculated was needed to cover the company's increased costs. Only after severe pressure was exerted on the company did it roll back that price increase to some extent.

You can imagine how much those restrictions on foreign steel imports are going to cost us. Certainly billions of dollars a year in higher prices. They are also going to hurt workers in those industries that use steel as a raw material.

Beware the call to "keep out those cheap imports." American companies and workers are among the most competitive in the world, but im-

ports help keep them that way. Where would we be today if the homely little VW Beetle had been kept out of the U.S. car market? Probably still driving those huge American gas guzzlers.

I'm not asking that we let all foreign products into our markets, but only that we look critically at any call for import restrictions. Imports are often made the scapegoat for other problems, and needless import restrictions can build crippled industries by letting them get by for a while without adjusting to changing conditions.

The fact is that we already have some pretty stiff limits on many imports, including steel, shoes, textiles, wearing apparel, color TVs, and CB radios, just to name a few. Congress has also established procedures to restrict other imports, especially if they threaten to result in injury to American workers or firms.

We do desperately need to curb our foreign oil imports, which cost us \$45 billion last year and significantly weakened the dollar in world markets. We also need better treatment from some countries for our exports, which now provide jobs for one in every eight U.S. manufacturing workers. Finally, we desperately need to control inflation. As the Congressional Joint Economic Committee has said, "One of the best ways to slow domestic inflation is to avail ourselves of inexpensive supplies of foreign goods."

I have read in the American Legion Magazine for July the arguments in PRO & CON: Should the United States Curb Imports?

IN MY OPINION THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION IS:

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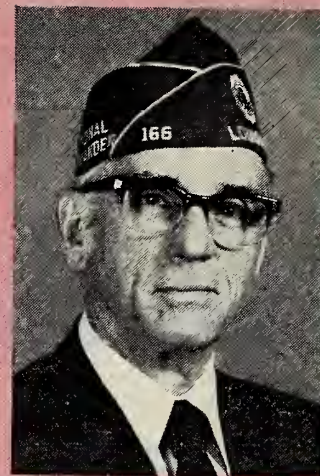
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SALT II: Its Future and Ours



AN ISSUE which the United States Senate and each American must squarely face in the months ahead is the SALT II proposal.

By all expert estimates, we are losing nuclear parity with the Soviet Union. Moreover, the Soviet Union is surpassing us in over-all military power. They have put more resources into their strategic nuclear arsenal than we have, and these investments continue to grow. While the United States has not been idle, we have not approached the massive production and deployment effort they have achieved. Negotiations for a second Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty have been very difficult as a result.

We cannot expect something for nothing. They will not stop building strategic weapons simply because our own strategic programs are inadequate. *We are not negotiating from a position of strength* and simultaneously we cancel the B-1 bomber, delay production of the MX missile and slow down the Trident.

At the Spring National Executive Committee meetings in May, the Foreign Relations, Legislative and National Security Commissions listened to Paul H. Nitze, former Deputy Secretary of Defense and former SALT I negotiator. His analysis of the trends and where the United States would be by 1985 was gloomy to say the least. Based on recommendations of these commissions, the NEC adopted Resolution #39 which states:

"The American Legion, aware of the imminent danger to the national security of the United States, urges the Administration to develop and maintain the Triad of nuclear strength sufficient to deter the Soviets from any nuclear strikes against our country and to combat successfully any nuclear warfare, if ever waged against us; and, further

"We emphatically urge the U.S. Senate to refuse to approve any SALT Treaty which would permit any inferiority in the nuclear power of the United States."

Public Law 92-448 outlines our SALT negotiating objectives:

- A stable international strategic balance which does not threaten the survivability of U.S. strategic deterrent forces.
- A future treaty that would not limit the United States to levels of intercontinental strategic forces inferior to the limits provided for the Soviet Union.
- Maintenance of a vigorous research development and modernization program.

The current SALT negotiating team will not say that the proposed treaty will meet any of these objectives. All they will say is that we will still have a few more nuclear warheads than the Soviets while failing to men-

tion that most of the Soviet warheads have explosive power some 20 times that of ours. The damage the Soviets could do to us in a nuclear exchange would be many times the damage we could do to them. The survivability of our strategic Triad—B-52 bombers, Minuteman and Titan missiles and missile carrying POLARIS and POSEIDON submarines—will not be enhanced by the proposed treaty. Nor will equality between U.S. and Soviet nuclear capabilities be achieved. Some facts:

(1) The Soviet Union has just under 4,000 strategic or nuclear offensive missiles and bombers. The United States has 2,125. Soviet nuclear warheads exceed the U.S. explosive power by 6 to 1.

(2) In strategic defensive forces, surface-to-air missiles and jet fighters, the Soviets have 14,664—the United States has 324 jet fighters. The Soviets have 2,600 interception jets—the United States 324; the Soviets have 12,000 SAM (surface-to-air missiles)—the United States none; the Soviets 64 ABMs (anti-ballistic missiles)—the United States none.

(3) The Soviets refuse to count or include their BACKFIRE bombers with comparable capabilities to the unbuilt B-1. The BACKFIRES can refuel, hit the United States, land in Cuba, refuel and fly home. The Soviets are reportedly building two to four BACKFIRES each month. Under SALT II, they may build as many as they please. Meanwhile, the United States has refused to build the B-1 as a counter to the BACKFIRE.

(4) SALT II does not permit the United States to build "heavy throw weight" missiles such as the SS-18s. The United States has none. The Soviets have over 300 "heavy throwers" deployed.

SALT is indeed a difficult subject with its own lexicon and language—ALCMs, MIRVs, MaRVs, FOBs and so forth. Even with these complexities, one cannot view SALT without looking at its impact on U.S. strategic nuclear defense posture and the concomitant effect on U.S. foreign policy. The bottom line questions to me are: Is the United States strategically inferior? If so, do we—the American people—have the will to change that inferiority? If we are weaker and the answer to the second question is no, the United States is destined to be second rate—economically, politically, influence-wise—among the world of nations.

Frederick the Great once said: "Diplomacy without arms is music without instruments." We would do well as a nation to seriously heed this advice.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Robert Paul Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Houston Picked for 1979 National Convention



A contract to hold the 1979 National Convention of The American Legion in Houston was signed by National Commander Robert Charles Smith (seated), during the Legion's spring meetings at National Headquarters in Indianapolis. Legionnaires looking on left to right are: Bertram G. Davis (NY), National Judge Advocate; Lawrence E. Hoffman (FL), chairman of the National Convention Commission; Jack W. Flynt, president of the Houston National Convention Corp.; Jack Tancred, general chairman of the Houston National Convention Corp.; W. H. McGregor, department adjutant of Texas; Harvey Holcomb (TX), department commander; Robert R. Walsh, Texas NECman; and Joe L. Matthews, past national commander.

NEWS of the LEGION

Paid-Up-For-Life Membership Plan Called Hedge on Inflation

More and more Legionnaires are becoming aware of the long-range benefits of the special Paid-Up-For-Life membership plan. Particularly attractive to Legionnaires with 25 years and more membership, the plan offers not only a savings in dues paid over a number of years and elimination of the annual reminders to pay dues, it also serves to protect you against the erosion of the dollar's buying power through inflation. Paid-up-for-life membership lets you pay your dues in full now, during your peak earning years, and guarantees your membership after retirement regardless of any increases in yearly dues. The cost of the plan is based on your age and the dues you currently pay to your post. This plan should not be confused with honorary life memberships offered by posts to some members.

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Legion Supports 'N Bomb'

Citing Warsaw Pact military superiority in conventional forces, the American Legion has urged President Carter and Congress to authorize production and deployment of the "Neutron Bomb," an enhanced radiation nuclear warhead that it said can restore NATO forces to parity with Communist armies.

The Legion also served notice to the Senate that its membership would not accept any strategic arms limitation agreement with the Soviet Union which in any way left the U.S. inferior in nuclear firepower.

The actions were taken during the spring meeting of the National Executive Committee in Indianapolis.

The NEC also reaffirmed Legion support for continuation of the veterans preference in all federal employment, voicing vigorous opposition to proposed legislation which would revoke veterans advantages in a reorganization of the federal personnel system. It also came out in strong support for the embattled Federal Bureau of Investigation, pointing to the FBI's excellent record of public service in protecting the lives and property of US citizens.

The NEC also resolved:

To urge Congress to provide necessary funds to restore the physician strength in the services' Medical Corps to required levels, and to consider instituting a selective conscription system, if appropriate, toward that same end.

To ask VA to reverse its decision to cancel construction of a new hospital in Camden, NJ and to proceed with the hospital as originally planned.

To oppose Department of Labor
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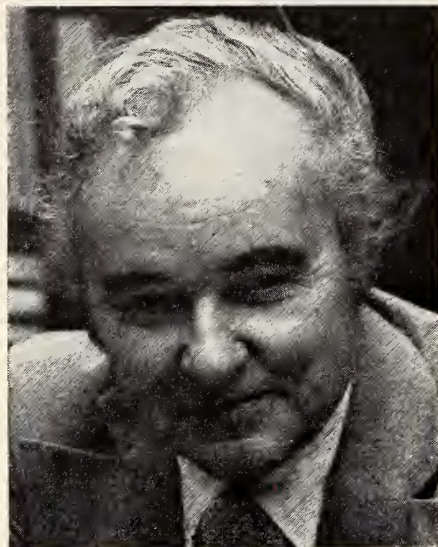
NEC Endorses Pension Bills

Two resolutions supporting legislation raising veterans' pensions in specific areas were resoundingly approved by the National Executive Committee during the spring meeting in Indianapolis. One measure would increase from \$50 per month to \$65 the pension paid to hospitalized veterans. The second proposal doubles the special pension paid to Medal of Honor holders from \$100 to \$200.

Jim O'Neil Retires; B. G. Davis Is Named Publisher; Magazine Consolidation Planned

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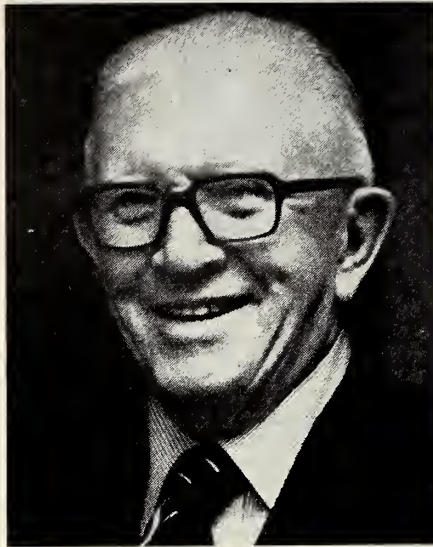
Legion Supports 'N Bomb'



Bertram G. Davis

Bertram G. Davis, national judge advocate of The American Legion, has been named to the dual role of publisher of The American Legion Magazine, National Commander Robert Charles Smith announced at the spring meeting of the National Executive Committee.

Davis succeeds James F. O'Neil who retired June 30 after 27 years as publisher of the magazine. O'Neil is a past national commander (1947-48) and a



James F. O'Neil

former chairman of the American Legion's Publications Committee.

Smith also announced that the magazine's editorial, advertising and production operations will be moved from Washington, DC to the Indianapolis National Headquarters Building in the near future, thus consolidating all operations of the publication. The circulation department and the electronic data processing center are already located in the Indianapolis building under the direction of assistant publisher Dean Nelson.

O'Neil's New York office was closed June 30. The retired publisher will be honored at a National Convention Luncheon Aug. 19.

"Jim O'Neil has given great leadership to our publication and under his direction, the credibility of The American Legion Magazine has been firmly established," Smith said in a tribute to the retiring publisher.

In his final appearance as publisher before the Magazine Commission, O'Neil said "... down through the years I can look with gratification at my accomplishments."

Smith said all 13 editorial, advertising and production employees in the Washington Headquarters Building have been invited to move to Indianapolis as soon as renovations are completed.

The National Executive Committee also approved a change in printers for the magazine, effective with the September issue. Low bidder on a new three-year contract is Kansas Color Press Inc. of Lawrence, KA. For the last five years the magazine has been printed by the Baird-Ward Printing Co. of Nashville, TN.

plans to divert functions or funds from the Help through Industry Retraining and Employment (HIRE) program to prime sponsors of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA), and to support a move to transfer HIRE reimbursable activities to state employment agencies.

To support legislation requiring state employment security agencies to assume responsibility for certifying and referring CETA applicants to prime sponsors. This is designed to further insure protection of veterans preference in federally-funded jobs.

To oppose any legislation which would seek to consolidate programs under the 1933 Wagner-Peyser Act and the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973.

To oppose a proposal which would transfer the Veterans Employment Service from the Labor Department to the Veterans Administration.

To condemn the actions of the American Nazi Party which has sought to foster Anti-Semitism.

To support continuation of the Disabled Veterans Outreach Program.

To call for improvement in the identification system for all workers in the United States, citizens or resident aliens, as an aid in controlling illegal aliens working in the U.S.

To commend the 32 US Senators who voted in opposition to the treaties on returning control of the Panama Canal to the Panamanian government.

To direct the National Convention Commission to consider barrier-free auditoriums when selecting sites for future conventions so that all delegates will have ready access to all parts of the auditorium. Past conventions' seating arrangements have sometimes hindered handicapped Legionnaires and prevented free movement between delegations.

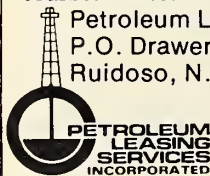
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Patton, PA Vet Named Legionnaire of Month

When comrades in The American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars cite him for outstanding service to veterans, John J. Toskey, 49, of Walter McCoy Legion Post 614, Patton, PA has to be the Legionnaire of the Month. So he is.

A 26-year member of the Legion, Toskey holds a Gold Life Membership card for exceptional service in American Legion programs and activities.

He has served as his post's commander, finance officer, judge advocate and post adjutant.

His service to veterans earned him a life membership in VFW Post 779, Patton, PA

Toskey was hospitalized for 28 days after contracting the mysterious disease that struck Legionnaires attending the Pennsylvania department's convention in Philadelphia in 1976.

Toskey has conducted all military funerals in his area for the last 18 years and is active in civic affairs in Pennsylvania.



John J. Toskey

Retired Treasurer Gets Fond Goodbye

W. Francis (Fran) Polen, retired National Treasurer, was honored by the National Executive Committee. A resolution expressing deep appreciation for Fran's dedicated service as National Treasurer for nearly 20 years was unanimously passed. At the National Commander's Banquet, Polen shared the dais with dignitaries and was presented with an engraved copy of the resolution. Fran served from October 1958 to January 1978.



W. Francis (Fran) Polen and his wife, Janet, accept plaque from National Commander Robert Charles Smith.



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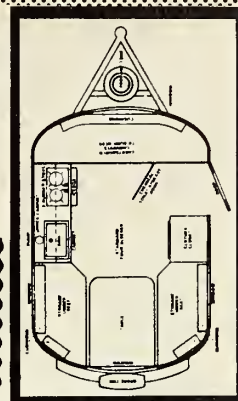
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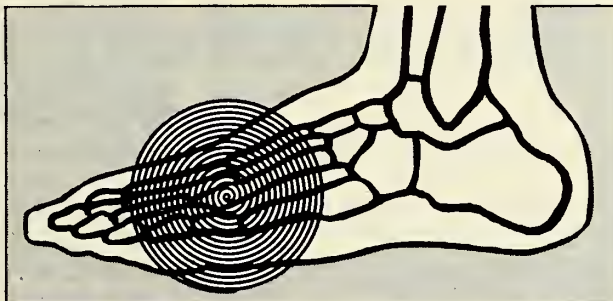
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Convention 'Good Guys'

The Past Commander's Club has named cartoonists Milton Caniff and Mort Walker as winners of its 1978 "Good Guy" award. Caniff is the creator of the "Steve Canyon" and "Terry and The Pirates" comic strips. Walker is the creator of the "Beetle Bailey" comic strip.

The awards will be presented at the club's annual luncheon, Aug. 22, aboard the riverboat *President*. The luncheon promises to be one of the highlights of the American Legion's national convention in New Orleans.

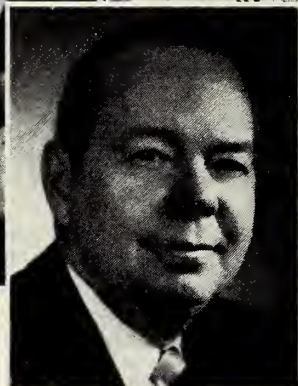
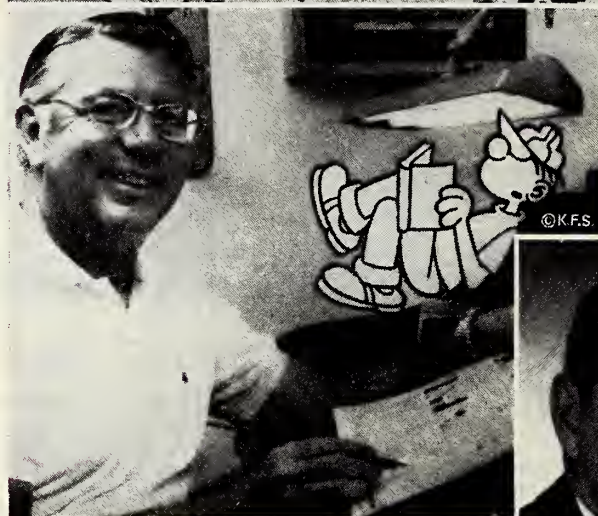
The club also announced a special award of excellence to Edgar A. Poe, distinguished Washington correspondent of *The New Orleans Times-Picayune*.

Caniff and Walker will be saluted for "their longstanding contributions to veterans, the national defense and ideals of patriotism."

"Their artists' pens, their wit and their mastery of words has constantly rekindled memories of our own military service and has reemphasized the need for an alert, strong, security-conscious America," the citation says.

Poe was selected for more than a quarter century of Washington reporting distinguished by "remarkable insight."

"Courtly and courteous in the true tradition of the 'Old South,' Poe also



has been incisive and intrepid in reporting the national scene to the people of the 'New South,' " his citation says.

1978 Past Commanders Club "Good Guys" are, clockwise from bottom: Correspondent Edgar A. Poe; Cartoonist Mort Walker with "Beetle Bailey"; "Steve Canyon" and "Terry and the Pirates" creator Milton Caniff; and famed instrumentalist Pete Fountain in full Mardi Gras regalia

Convention Trip Winners Named

Twenty-five American Legion post commanders have won free trips to the 1978 National Convention in the "Commanders Who Dare" program for posts that had record all-time membership by March 31. Selected by drawing were:

Frank E. Gilmore, Post 772, Fontana, CA; James Stringer, Post 160, Byers, CO; Rex A. Cook, Post 138, Tampa, FL; Jack L. Kraemer, Post 742, Hutsonville, IL; Gary Jones, Post 22, Manning, IA; Homer Yearly, Post 329, Kanopolis, KS; William Clark, Post 334, Eddyville, KY; Christian Guerrette, Post 145, Frenchville, ME; Commander, Post 26, Hancock, MD; Ralph Martin, Post 332, Halifax, MA; Lee Sutliff, Post 502, Henderson, MI; Eugene Wagner, Post 513, Minneapolis, MN; Emmet B. Case, Post 79, Wesson, MS; Dick Christian, Post 341, McCool Junction, NE; Harrison Tache, Post 120, Shiprock, NM; Clifford H. Vaughn, Post 337, Pineville, NC; Manuel Souza, Post 1009, Yorktown Heights, NY; James F. Davis, Post 14, Bainbridge, OH; Arlan A. Heffner, Post 625, Fleetwood, PA; Leroy Tolbert, Post 224, Greenwood, SC; Thomas Russell, Post 27, Kadoka, SD; Harvie Lewis, Post 66, Pikeville, TN; W. W. Melton, Post 300, Canton, TX; Leland Nicholas, Post 302, Oconto Falls, WI; and Glen Culver, Post 64, Medicine Bow, WY.



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A Message for the 4th

By THE REV. WALTER D. POWER
National Chaplain of The American Legion

"No man is an island, entire of itself, every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main; if a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as well as if a Manor of thy friends or of thine were; any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind. And therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

My reason for bringing this 350-year-old quotation of John Donne to your attention is to ask you to consider what is happening in our Nation today, and what we are going to do about it in view of our mutual responsibility for one another and for these United States of America. We Chaplains have an advantage in that we can not only speak openly of morality—or its lack; belief in God and the Judeo-Christian ethic, but we are even expected to do so.

In their astounding wisdom, our Founding Fathers established the principle for all time in the beginning of the Declaration of Independence when they said,

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. . . ."

The key words in this great statement are "BY THEIR CREATOR." If we were to place a Soviet citizen on a polygraph, we would find he was truthful when he says that the State has the right to take life, to restrict liberty and to control the pursuit of happiness. Indeed, he would be truthful when he says that the State not only has the right but the duty to take these steps.

Conversely, in these United States of America, all of our rights are granted by God and therefore no man may properly take them away. It is really that simple. We must be certain that this principle is never destroyed, or even weakened, or tampered with, by man.

During the second 100 years just concluded we have seen global wars and area ones. Man has increased his ability to destroy his brother and has done so with dispatch. Here at home we have seen a gradual, but none the less steady decline in morality, in sanctity of the home, in respect for the God-given rights of others, in following the Golden Rule.

The mention of God has been pro-

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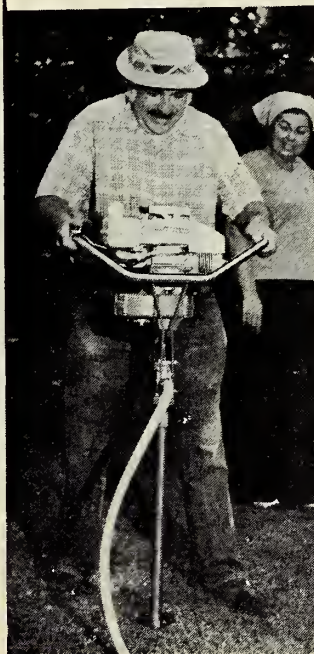
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Michael Colantuono of Cornwells Heights, PA is the winner of the 1978 **Department of Pennsylvania** High School Essay Contest. A junior at Bensalem Senior High School, Michael received a \$500 Scholarship and will read his essay at the 60th State Convention in Philadelphia. Second place honors and a \$250 scholarship went to Steven Kopelic of Glenshaw, PA, and Theresa Marie Gabana of Shickshinny won third place and a \$100 scholarship. The topic of this year's essay was "My Rights and Responsibilities as a Young American".

POSTS IN ACTION

More than 200 Legionnaires from posts throughout the state of **New Jersey** attended the 23rd Annual Leadership College and 5th Annual Service Officers' School in Fort Dix, NJ. Directed by Past Department Commander Joseph F. Ward and Department Service Officer Thaddeus J. Gnidziejko, the three-day workshops centered on the major Legion Programs. Speakers and lecturers included Robert W. Spanogle, Internal Affairs Director, Americanism Commission Chairman Daniel J. O'Connor, Maj. Gen. William A. Patch, Fort Dix, and representatives of state government.



William J. Hocking **Post 91, Wharton, NJ** celebrated its 50th anniversary with an open house featuring the pictorial and written history of the post. The Golden Anniversary year got under way in grand style as Post 91 went over the top in membership for the 14th consecutive year. Above, left to right, Wharton Mayor Thomas Grohowski presents a certificate of appreciation for the post's half-century of service to the community to Post 91 Commander Charles F. Ullman. Looking on are Harry Weeks, Sr., DEC from Morris County, NJ and Past Commander William Kassay, 50th Anniversary Committee Chairman.



Captain Harry B. Doremus **Post 55, Hackensack, NJ**, has pledged a \$25,000 donation to the Hackensack Hospital's Burn Service over the next three years. Dr. Anthony Barbara, Chief of Burn Services (left) describes some of the specialized equipment used in treating burn victims to Post 55 Commander Henry Thiem (right) as Fire Chief Charles Jones, Past Commander, looks on. Presentation of a check representing the first installment of the three-year pledge was made at Post 55's annual dinner

The Pennsylvania War Veterans Council recently honored State Representative A. J. DeMedio with a testimonial dinner recognizing DeMedio's "long and dedicated service in the Pennsylvania Legislature in behalf of several million Pennsylvania veterans." Council President, Commander Joseph Dougherty, characterized DeMedio as the driving force behind all meaningful veterans legislation passed by the General Assembly in recent years.

The Chairman of the House Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, DeMedio has introduced or sponsored bills to convert a state hospital into a 500-bed home for veterans; provide real estate tax exemptions for 100% disabled war veterans with demonstrable needs; and called for representation by all veterans' organizations on the State Veterans Commission.



At the Annual Dart Banquet of **Clara Barton Post 324, Edison, NJ**, left to right: League President Joseph La-Rocca; JoAnna DeBoer, President of the women's league; Women's League Secretary Gale Zick; and League Coordinator Thomas Heaton stand behind an impressive array of trophies. Post 324 organized a competitive dart league six years ago. Last year, a six-team women's league was organized.



May was "American Legion-American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Month" in Pennsylvania. Witnessing Governor Milton Shapp's signing of the proclamation are Department Commander Eugene C. Eichelberger, seated left; Edward T. Hoak, Department Adjutant, standing; and Pennsylvania Auxiliary President Mrs. John Stay, right

Notes on Our Desk

are holding up construction of facilities for handling Alaskan crude oil—oil that cannot all be consumed in Pacific states and must be shipped to other regions. The still-stalled plan, calling for shipment by pipeline through California, is cheaper by far than the alternatives . . . yet it languishes in the bureaucracy.

Farther north, in Washington State, there is considerable antagonism to a plan that would result in additional crude oil tankers plying the waters of Puget Sound. The destination—via pipeline—of this petroleum from Alaska and elsewhere would be the energy-thirsty midwest. Let's listen to what the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* says about this idea: "It seems to us the time has come to say no, definitely, to . . . any . . . company planning to tanker large amounts of oil into the sound for shipment to the midwest. The costs to the state will be too high. The benefits nil."

Worse still, Congress has endorsed this position. Last October, a seemingly innocuous amendment to a marine mammal protection act was introduced by Sen. Warren Magnuson (D-WA). In short order, the act and amendment became law. In the process, a major option for distributing Alaskan oil to the midwest was eliminated. The *New York Times* has editorially characterized Magnuson's move as "bad lawmaking." Why? Again quoting the *Times*, because "it pre-empts an option that at least deserved to be discussed and weighed on the merits." I couldn't agree more.

In the Rockies, Colorado is invoking environmental regulations to ensure veto power over oil shale development in the western part of the state. Meanwhile, its western neighbor, Utah, is seeking to develop its eastern portion. Since prevailing winds move west to east, conflict is certainly brewing. More importantly, however, oil shale is one of this nation's richest untapped energy lodes, containing an energy-equivalent far higher than our petroleum reserves. Blocking its development unnecessarily would be counter-productive to the entire effort to formulate an effective national energy policy.

Perhaps as a reaction to developments in consuming-states, key producing-states are enlisting in the movement toward factionalization. As columnist Joseph Kraft commented, Louisiana Gov. Edwards is "not prepared to let his state be 'drained' of its energy resources

because other states refuse to accept offshore drilling or strip-mining or nuclear plants." What is Edwards' solution? He wants to keep Louisiana petroleum in the ground. As the governor remarked, "that may sound provincial to you, but we'll rejoin the union when New York does, and California and West Virginia."

Edwards is not alone in his views. The governor of Oklahoma has indicated that unless consuming regions make "some form of energy sacrifice, we will have to re-evaluate our position" about providing oil and gas to other states.

Curtailed production is not the only tool available to producing states. In Louisiana, there is talk of instituting a "first-use" tax on petroleum coming to Louisiana refineries from its off-shore platforms. Texas is contemplating a refinery-processing tax—most of which would be passed on to Eastern consumers. And Alaska is considering legislation that would bar, in three years, the flow of state-owned oil to other states and increase, as well, the severance tax on Alaskan oil. If enacted, measures of this sort would inevitably increase the cost to consumers . . . while generating mounting regional hostilities.

The catalog of regionalisms could

continue, but the drift is clear. Clearer still is the danger. Costs could be increased, while production is decreased.

Yet, at this juncture in the nation's history, we need—perhaps more than ever before—as much energy as we can economically lay our hands on, *not* curtailed by supplies. President Carter's intent was to produce a fair national energy plan. As he put it, "our guiding principle, as we developed the plan, was that none of our people should be asked to bear an unfair burden, and none should reap an unfair advantage. There will be sacrifices, but they will be gradual, reasonable—and fair."

We might dispute the fairness of Carter's plan, but there is no arguing that whatever plan is adopted be a fair one. That goal is undebatable and essential. But regionalism is *not* fair.

As the *Washington Post* editorialized, "The rest of the country is . . . subsidizing imports of . . . oil, most of it into the Atlantic states. It isn't a government subsidy; it's paid by one consumer to another through the refiners and distributors, to equalize fuel costs nationwide . . . The sections of the country that pro-

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Viet-Era Vets in Congress Help Buddies



Vietnam-era veterans in Congress have formed an informal working group to deal with problems of veterans of the Southeast Asia conflict. Left to right: Reps. David E. Bonoir (D-MI), John P. Murtha Jr. (D-PA), Albert A. Gore Jr. (D-TN), Thomas R. Harkin (D-IA) meet with Veterans Administrator Max Cleland

Eleven members of Congress who are veterans of military service during the Vietnam era have organized an informal working group to push for more recognition, employment opportunities and benefits for veterans of the conflict in Southeast Asia.

The group already has met with Veterans Administrator Max Cleland and Stuart E. Eizenstat, assistant to the

President for domestic affairs.

Members of the working group are Reps. Leon Panetta (D-CA), David Cornwell (D-IN), Thomas E. Harkin (D-IA), David E. Bonoir (D-MI), John Cavanaugh (D-NE), James Jones (D-OK), John P. Murtha Jr. (D-PA), Albert E. Gore Jr. (D-TN), Les Aspin (D-WI), John J. LaFalce (D-NY) and Sen. H. John Heinz III (R-PA).

Child Welfare Awards \$69,925

The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Inc., has awarded a record \$69,925 to eight voluntary non-profit organizations to assist children and youth. The grants were made during the annual meeting of the board of directors.

Since its founding in 1954, the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation has made awards totalling nearly \$700,000 to non-profit organizations and institutions.

A grant of \$14,400 was awarded to the National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Atlanta, GA, to produce a film on cystic fibrosis for use in high school biology classes. The University of Minnesota was awarded \$4,725 for a workshop to train foster parents and social workers working with children in placement. The Institute for Human Resources and Services, Wilkes-Barre, PA, received \$10,000 to develop a training program for parents and teachers who are in contact with potential juvenile delinquents. The Pre-Schooler's Workshop in Syosset, NY, was awarded a grant of \$10,000 to prepare a film on classroom violence. A grant of \$800 was added to \$1,600 presently being held in a special fund to provide expense grants for police officers to attend the Delinquency Control Institute of the University of Southern California. This amount will allow for four expense grants of \$600 each.

The National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, New York, was granted \$10,000 to produce a film and other materials on eye care and eye safety for fifth and sixth graders. A grant of \$10,000 was awarded to the National Council on Crime & Delinquency, Hackensack, NJ to produce a slide/tape presentation on equal justice for all juvenile offenders.

The National Council for Home-maker-Home Health Aide Services, New York, was awarded \$10,000 to publish and distribute a book on in-home aid for handicapped children.

60-Year Medallion



National Emblem Sales now has the American Legion 60th Anniversary Medallion in stock. A collector's item, the specially-struck 1½ inch diameter medallion is available in bronze or .999 pure silver and comes attractively gift boxed. The bronze medallions are \$5 and the numbered silver edition is available in limited quantity for \$25. For your 60th Anniversary medallion, send your request, along with the appropriate remittance to National Emblem Sales, Dept. 9, The American Legion, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

American Legion Life Insurance Month Ending March 31, 1978

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The American Legion Life Insurance is an official program of the American Legion, adopted by the National Executive Committee, 1958. It is decreasing term insurance, issued on application to paid-up members of The American Legion subject to approval based on health and employment statement. Effective Jan. 1, 1976, death benefits range from \$60,000 (6 units through age 29, 25 in Ohio) in decreasing steps of \$125 (1/2 unit at age 75 or over). Previously, maximum was 4 units. This protection is available throughout life, as long as the annual premium is paid, the insured remains a member of The American Legion, and the Plan stays in effect. Available up to six units at a flat rate of \$24 per unit a year on a calendar year basis, pro-rated during the first year at \$2 a month per unit for insurance approved after January 1. Underwritten by two commercial life insurance companies, the Occidental Life Insurance Co. of California and United States Life Insurance Co. in the City of New York. American Legion Life Insurance and Trust Fund is managed by trustees operating under the laws of Missouri. No other insurance may use the full words "American Legion." Administered by The American Legion Life Insurance Division, P.O. Box 5609, Chicago, Illinois 60680, to which write for further details.

TAPS

The Taps Notice mentions, whenever possible, those Legionnaires who have held high National or Department Office in the Legion, US Government, or other forms of national prominence.

Tom B. Clark, 82, died March 31. Mr. Clark served as Dept. Cdr. of Okla. (1958-59), alternate NECman (1959-65) and as the Legion's National Chaplain (1953-54).

Miguel A. Munoz, 87, died recently in Santurce, Puerto Rico. He served as Nat'l. Vice Cdr. (1933-34).

Roy Lewis Cook died at the age of 79. Mr. Cook served the Dept. of New Mexico as Commander (1930-31), Nat'l Vice Cdr. (1931-34), Nat'l Exec. Committee (1931-33), and as chairman of the Nat'l Emblem Committee (1936-42).

General Lucius D. Clay died at the age of 80 on April 16. Commander of the US military forces in Europe after World War II, Gen. Clay prevented Soviet attempts to cut off Allied access to Berlin in 1948, and directed an airlift of 2.4 million tons of coal and food to Berlin for 16 months. In 1962 he received the Legion's highest award, the Distinguished Service Medal. On

that occasion, Clay said the U.S. would be in a stronger position if it followed more closely the Foreign Policy views of the Legion.

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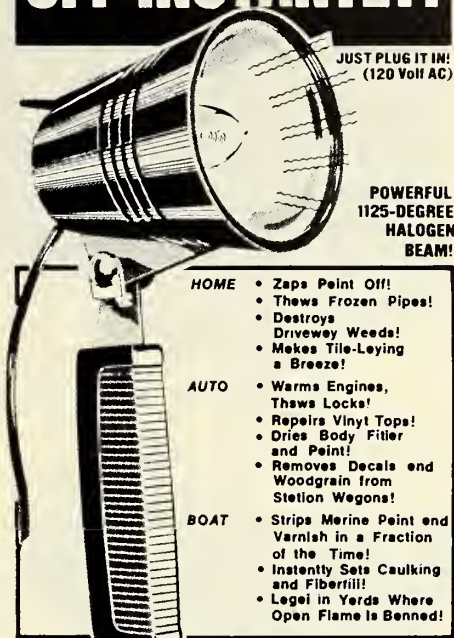
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ARMY

1st Arm'd Div—(Sept) PO Box 1048, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931
 2nd Inf Anti Tank Co 5th Div—(Sept) Virgil Wettig, 206 Lincoln St., Richmond, IN 47374
 3rd Inf Regt—(Sept) Jake Klotzbeacher, 712 8th St., Farmington, MN 55024
 5th Div—(Sept) John Pfau, 170 Evergreen, Elmhurst, IL 60126
 5th Med Bn 5th Inf Div (WW2)—(Sept) Raymond Carlson, 1137 Kay Pkwy., Ann Arbor, MI 48103
 5th QM Bn—(Sept) D. K. Youngblood, 2726 Sunset Dr., Charlotte, NC 28209
 5th Sta Hosp (WW2)—(Sept) Jean Spahn, 322 Harbour Dr. 303A, Naples, FL 33940
 6th Ord MM Co—(Sept) Lawrence Hargrafen, R 2, Box 36, Dyersville, IA 52040
 7th FA—(Sept) Warren Caldwell, 51 South St., Milford, NH 03055
 11th AAA Gp—(Sept) Edward Strickland, RT 3, Jefferson, GA 30549
 11th Eng Comb Bn & Regt—(Sept) A. B. Harward, 523 College Dr., Raeford, NC 28376
 11th Inf Regt—(Sept) Lilly Torres, 8000 Sargent Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46256
 17th Sig Oper Bn (WW2)—(Sept) E. F. Hofmeister, 710 Crown Ave., Scranton, PA 18505
 18th Coast Artly—(Sept) Chas. Justus, 625 Yaronia Dr. N., Columbus, OH 43214
 21st Avn Eng (WW2)—(Sept) Calvin Eckert, RD #3, Box 316, Dillsburg, PA 17019
 21st Ord (MM) Co—(Sept) Wm. Koryak, 1919 Pallas Ave., North Braddock, PA 15104
 22nd Inf, Med Co, 4th Inf Div (1951-52)—(Sept) Cois Bobo, 1100 Hwy 431 N., Albertville, AL 35950
 26th Artly 2nd TA Bn, Ft. Bragg, NC—(Sept) Arthur Kane, Rural RT #1, Media, IL 61460
 29th Div—(Sept) Clyde Wilson, 32480 Wooddale Rd., Lisbon, OH 44432
 29th Sta Hosp & 170th Evac Unit—(Sept) Helen Hinchley Storm, 3931 21st Court E, Veterans Village, New Port Richey, FL 33552
 32nd Red Arrow Div (WW1 & 2)—(Sept) Eugene Phelps, 2202 S. 23rd St., La Crosse, WI 54601
 34th Inf Div—(Sept) Glenn Carlson, 2211 Ave "I", Council Bluffs, IA 51501
 35th Div—(Sept) Wm. Withrow, PO Box 4022, Topeka, KS 66604
 37th Div—(Sept) Jack Wander, 65 S. Front St., Rm 707, Columbus, OH 43215
 39th Comb Eng (WW2)—(Sept) Thomas Swears, 122 Southlane Dr., New Whiteland, IN 46184
 43rd Inf Div—(Sept) Thomas Maroon, 33 Cushman Rd., Winslow, ME 04902
 46th Eng (WW2)—(Sept) Donald McGuire, 3527 E. 42nd St., Minneapolis, MN 55406
 46th Tank Bn, 13th Arm'd Div—(Sept) J. B. Teel, 1562 Champlin Dr., St. Louis, MO 63136
 54th Sig Bn (WW2)—(Sept) R. J. Hardwick, 17350 E. Temple #39, La Puente, CA 91744
 70th Eng Lght Pntn Co (WW2)—(Sept) David Russell, 51 S. Lippincott Ave., Maple Shade, NJ 08052
 74th Eng Lght Pntn Co (WW2)—(Sept) George Walker, 317 Lorraine St., N. Bellmore, NY 11710
 79th Div Co H 314th Inf—(Sept) William Karre, Hayes Center, NE 69032
 87th Eng Hvy Pntn Bn (WW2)—(Sept) Ralph Wilson, 54 Nakota, Clawson, MI 48017
 87th Inf Div—(Sept) Gladwin Pascuzzo, 2374 N. Dundee Crt., Highland Greens Estates, Highland, MI 48031
 94th Sig Bn—(Sept) Kalmer Ostby, 1510 3rd Ave NE, Rochester, MN 55901
 100th Inf Div—(Sept) Anthony Tom, 25 Luanne Rd., Stratford, CT 06497
 103rd Med Bn & Regt 28th Inf Div—(Sept) Robert Goldsmith, 37 Farmbrook Dr., Levittown, PA 19055
 110th FA 29th Div Bat A (WW2)—(Sept) Hank Crawford, 2030 Flintshire Rd., Apt 201, Baltimore, MD 21237
 110th Inf, 28th Div (WW2)—(Sept) Charles Chattaway, 400 W. Main St., Monogahela, PA 15063

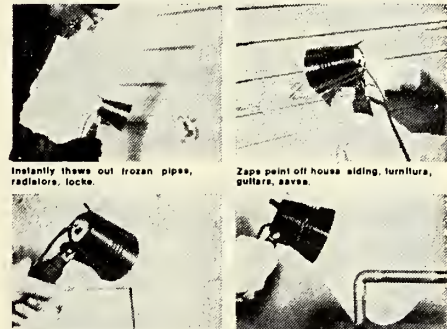
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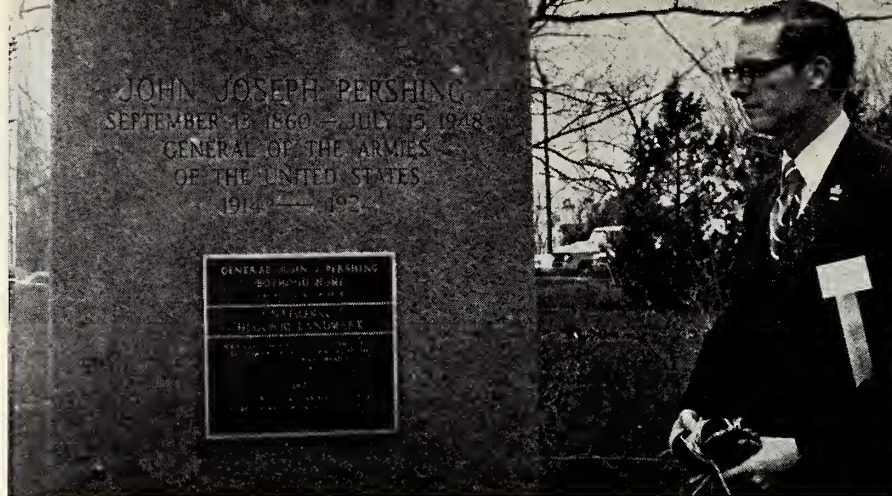
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John W. Pershing, only surviving grandchild of Gen. John J. Pershing, unveils the plaque designating the General's Laclede, MO home as a Registered National Landmark. Plans are for a national memorial to Pershing and his gallant WW 1 legions, including a Wall of Honor for veterans of the War to End All Wars and a "living" museum. Information on the memorial is available from the Pershing Memorial Development Fund, P.O. Box 177, Laclede, MO 64651

113th Eng (WW1)—(Sept) Glen McCool, 1820 E. Sycamore St., Kokomo, IN 46901
 116th Inf Co E 29th Div (WW2)—(Sept) Jim Gary, 1117 Glendale Ln., Nashville, TN 37204
 119th Inf, Co G—(Sept) Richard Earll, Box 288, Union City, PA 16438
 120th Mobile Gun Bn AAA—(Sept) Jasper Leone, 2650 E. Palo Alto, Fresno, CA 93710
 126th FA Bat B (WW2)—(Sept) Gene Brazeau, 2530 E. Rose, Orange, CA 92667
 127th Inf—(Sept) Henry Kriha, 813 Hawthorne St., Oshkosh, WI 54901
 131st Ord Maint Bn of 9th Arm'd Div—(Sept) Al Irwin, Mount City, KS 66056
 132nd AAA Bat A—(Sept) James Beaton, 212 Batts Rd., Hamden, CT 06514
 133rd Inf 34th Div Co E (WW2)—(Sept) Darwin Ferguson, Box 91, Webster City, IA 50595
 139th Inf Co A, 35th Div (WW1)—(Sept) J. D. Harris, RR1, Box 452, Bartlesville, OK 74003
 147th Inf Co K—(Sept) Harry Ark, 114 Fairview Ave., Springfield, OH 45504
 156th Gen Hosp (England)—(Sept) Eleanor Pipper Stanislaw, 3130 N. Webberville Rd., Webberville, MI 48892
 163rd AAA Gun Bn Bat B—(Sept) Simon Sacks, 1510 Cliff Rd., Overbrook Hills, PA 19151
 165th Eng Comb Bn (Sept) Harvey Mitchell, PO Box 1702, Burlington, NC 27215
 168th Inf 34th Div Co E (WW2)—(Sept) Dale Castle, 208 West Sheridan, Shendam, IA 51601
 170th Comb Eng, Co C—(Sept) James Imhoff Sr., 1800 Waunona Way, Madison, WI 53713
 187th Sig Repair Co—(Sept) John Sheridan, 115 Firestone Dr., Rochester, NY 14624
 194th FA Bn—(Sept) Orville Seamer, RR 1, Goose Lake, IA 52750
 198th, 736th, 945th AAA & 261st CA (HD) Del NG Units—(Sept) Arthur Biloon, PO Box 2781, Wilmington, DE 19805
 198th Ord Div (Aleutian Island)—(Sept) John Sailor, RT #1, Box 314, Worthington, WV 26591
 200th QM Gasoline Supp Co—(Sept) John Ferrell, 911 S. E. St., St. Albans, WV 25177
 203rd FA, Serv Bn—(Sept) Rex Rusbult, 469 Jacalyn Dr., Cedar Rapids, IA 52405
 206th CA (AA)—(Sept) W. J. Chambers, PO Box 5806, Little Rock, AR 72215
 227th & 229th Sig Org (WW2)—(Sept) Ray Green, RD #2, Birdsboro, PA 19508
 233rd AAA S/L Bn, Bat C—(Sept) Norman Latter, 2055 Ardsheal, La Habra CA 90631
 235th, 48th Eng Bn 1108th Eng Gp—(Sept) John Malley, 2572 Frostwood Ave., Youngstown, OH 44515
 240th Eng Bn Co C—(Sept) Don Musser, 1658 8th St., NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405
 243rd Coast Art'y (HD) Bat D (WW2)—(Sept) Charles Brothers, 48 Jastram St., Providence, RI 02908
 246th Coast Art'y—(Sept) Ray Cross, 1209 Kerns Ave SW, Roanoke, VA 24015
 249th CAC Bat B—(Sept) L. F. Rude, 715 Penn Ave., Ashland, OR 97520
 252nd Coast Art'y, 530th FA—(Sept) Robert Hopkins, 10324 Renfrew Dr., St. Louis, MO 63137
 252nd Ord Co—(Sept) Stanley Villa, Box 94, Jerome, PA 15937
 307th Fld Sig Bn 82nd Div—(Sept) Paul Frederick, 320 Bluff St., Beloit, WI 53511
 311th Ord Depot Co (WW2)—(Sept) Fred Ferguson, Box 9127, Huntington, WV 25704

315th Inf Regt (WW2)—(Sept) Francis Cezko, 144 N. 6th St., New Hyde Park, NY 11040
 322nd FA—(Sept) C. W. Fitzpatrick, 210 N. Main St., Dayton, OH 45402
 324th Inf Regt 44th Div (WW2)—(Sept) Bill Applegate, 2310 Harley Dr., Madison, WI 53711
 334th Sta Hosp—(Sept) Wm. Jennings, 6625 St. RD 28W., Lafayette, IN 47905
 347th Sta Hosp (WW2)—(Sept) Loy Landers, 2309 Ridge Ave., Evanston, IL 60201
 352nd Ord (WW2)—(Sept) Cockatoo Inn, 4334 W. Imperial Hwy., Hawthorne, CA
 355th Inf (WW1)—(Sept) Paul Fleming, Beaver City, NE 68926
 393rd FA Bn—(Sept) Jesse Younger, 352 W. McLurg, Frankfort, IN 46041
 399th Inf Cannon Co 100th Div—(Sept) Wm. Williams, 210 E. Frank St., Schenectady, NY 10980
 400th Arm'd FA Bn—(Sept) Edward Petrisin, 3318 Marmore Ave., Parma, OH 44134
 404th 643rd Eng Bn (WW2)—(Sept) Thomas Swears, 122 Southlane Dr., New Whitehead, IN 46184
 423rd MP Escort Grd Co—(Sept) Garner Heasley, 3912 S. Felton St., Marion, IN 46952
 436th AAA AW Bn Bat C—(Sept) Robert Bosh, 609 Elk St., Schuyler, NE 68661
 451st Bmb Sqd, 322nd Bmb Gp—(Sept) R. E. Potratz, 4211, 42nd St., Des Moines, IA 50310
 457th AAA Bat B—(Sept) Tom Schull, #95 St. Edward Ln., Florissant, MO 63033
 461st Anti Arcrft Bn—(Sept) Edward Gergeich, 318 Hawthorne Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15209
 497th AAA Gun Bn—(Sept) Laverne Hushcka, 2141 Memorial Dr., Janesville, WI 53545
 508th Parachute Inf (WW2)—(Sept) Jim Allardice, 335 Ardussi St., Frankenmuth, MI 48734
 512th Eng LP Co—(Sept) George Early, 1114 SE 14th Dr., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
 530th FA 252nd CA—(Sept) Don Keohane, RR #1, Box 108-A, Plainview, IL 62676
 531st Eng Shore Regt, 1st Eng Spec Brig—(Sept) Richard Ready, 84 Selwyn St., Roslindale, MA 02131
 536th Amph. Tractor Bn (WW2)—(Sept) Lloyd Wood, PO Box 1292, Ft. Worth, TX 76101
 550th Arbrne Inf—(Sept) Al Roberts, Box 123, Olivia, NC 28368
 555th AA Bn—(Sept) Sidney Broussard, RT 1, Box 244, Breauux Bridge, LA 70517
 555th AAA AW Bn Bat C—(Sept) Delbert Martin, Box 25, Buda, IL 61314
 558th AAA AW Bn—(Sept) John Sackandy, 1902 Sloan Ave., Latrobe, PA 15650
 605th TD Bn—(Sept) Lawrence Montgomery, 120 E. 1st Ave., Plainville, MI 49080
 613th OBAM Bn—(Sept) LeRoy Steiner, 1924 N. 39th St., Milwaukee, WI 53208
 635th QM Co—(Sept) Neil Puleo, 1508 Riverside Rd., Verona, PA 15147
 722nd Rlwy Oper Bn, Milt Rlwy Serv Vets—(Sept) Robert Seeley, 527 Gaines St., Elmira, NY 14904
 726th Ord LM Co (WW2)—(Sept) Charles Birmingham, 1 "A" St., Wrentham, MA 02093
 729th Rlwy Oper Bn—(Sept) Albert Colello, 4251 4th Ave., Altoona, PA 16602
 735th ROB—(Aug) Virgil Freymann, 1558 Parkway, Dubuque, IA 52001
 741st Eng Base Equip Co—(Sept) Russell Denzine, 909 Wood St., Valparaiso, IN 46383

751st Tank Bn (M)—(Sept) Lester Pollmann, 413 E. Washington, Owensville, MO 65066
 772nd TD Bn (WW2)—(Sept) Geo. Heldt, 889 E. Maryland Ave., St. Paul, MN 55106
 773rd Tank Dest Bn (Sept) Edward McClelland, 4384 W. 182nd St., Cleveland, OH 44135
 775th Fld Art'y Bn—(Sept) L. W. Reynolds, 4525 S. First St., Louisville, KY 40214
 775th Tank Bn—(Sept) Sam Yonovitz, 3212 Falbo Ave., Lorain, OH 44052
 792nd AAA AW Bn—(Sept) Edward Orwig, 568 Hillcrest Pl., Gettysburg, PA 17325
 803rd TD Bn—(Sept) R. S. Wagenhals, 2821 S. Newland, Denver, CO 80227
 813th Avn Eng Bn (WW2)—(Sept) Swede Wachter, Mather, WI 54641
 836th Sig Radio Relay Co—(Sept) J. R. Marker, 272 Bonnett St SW., N. Canton, OH 44720
 884th ORD (HAM Co)—(Sept) Harold Bell, RR #1, Box 44, Hume, MO 64752
 893rd Tank Dest Bn—(Sept) Harry Sinclair, RT 2, Box 126 A, Gambrills, MD 21054
 894th Ord HAM Co (WW2)—(Sept) Henry Schwab, 7429 Bramell Ave., Detroit, MI 48239
 926th Sig Bn 9th TAC, 322nd & 422nd Sig Co (WW2)—(Aug) Russell Eyer, PO Box 235, Palmyra, IL 62674
 988th MP Co (WW2)—(Sept) John Robertson, 1130 Ashbridge Rd., W. Chester, PA 19380
 1268th Comb Eng—(Sept) Paul Dylun, 3402 Bader Ave., Cleveland, OH 44109
 3432nd MAM Ord Co—(Sept) Wm. Berglund, Albion, NE 68620
 3499th ORD MAM Co—(Sept) Rod Cowgill, 3504 Gladden Dr., Louisville, KY 40218
 3873rd GAS Supply Bn—(Sept) Frank Witt, PO Box 151, Champaign, IL 61820
 Merrill's Marauders—(Sept) Tom Martini, 625 A. Archdale Dr., Charlotte, NC 28210

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3rd Spec NCB—(Sept) Robert Martin, 121 W. 14th St., Kansas City, MO 64105
 37th Spec NCB—(Sept) Raymond Denny, 3011 S. 12th St., Sheboygan, WI 53081
 51st NCB—(Sept) Eugene Barnett, 825 Oak Terr Crt., Placerville, CA 95667
 15th 19th & 41st Spec NCB—(Sept) Theodore Lyse, Box 101, Davenport, WA 99122
 62nd NCB—(Sept) Glenn Burch, RR 1, Bloomfield, IN 47424
 63rd NCB—(Sept) I. N. Mayfield, 8815 Pine-ridge Rd., San Antonio, TX 78217
 77th NCB—(Sept) Wm. Tudor, 2634 S. Ban- nock St., Denver, CO 80223
 97th & 108th NCB—(Sept) Albert Stokes, 4775 S. Spring Ave., St. Louis, MO 63116
 107th NCB—(Sept) Norman Joseph, 2020 S. 14th Ave., Broadview, IL 60153
 114th NCB, 627th, 629th, 628th CMBU—(Sept) Ralph Evans, 235 99th St., PO Box 236, Stone Harbor, NJ 08247
 Air Grnd Lia, Naval Gunfire, Shore Party Comm Tms (4th 22nd 29th Mar WW2)—(Sept) John Hagenah, PO Box 382, Hills- boro, WI 54634
 USCG Const Unit 26 (WW2)—(Sept) Harold Ricketts, RR 2, Elgin, ND 58533
 LST 383 (WW2)—(Sept) Dennis McNeary, 3049 S. Hampshire, Minneapolis, MN 55426
 LST 607—(Sept) Lee James, 304 Vesper Ave., Federalsburg, MD 21632
 LST 829—(Sept) Albert Ryzner, 943 Rock- dale Ave., New Bedford, MA 02740
 PT Boats, Inc—(Sept) J. M. Newberry, PO Box 109, Memphis, TN 38101
 Spec Augmt Hosp #7—(Sept) Charles Lyons, 128 W. Autumn Ln., East Peoria, IL 61611
 Tin Can Sailors—(Sept) Edward Ward, Battleship Cove, Fall River, MA 02721
 VF-54—(Sept) Meldon Wasko, 3650 Niblick Dr., La Mesa, CA 92041
 USS Amycus (ARL-2)—(Sept) V. E. Jack- son, 3562 Ben St., San Diego, CA 92111
 USS Ault (DD 698) (WW2)—(Sept) Jim Clark, 4 N. Morgan Ave., Havertown, PA 19083
 USS Balch/USS Porterfield—(Sept) Sam Thomas, c/o Frank Longtin, 7449 Salerno St., San Diego, CA 92111
 USS Birmingham (CL 62)—(Sept) Herman Mons, 419 E. Wilsey St., Philadelphia, PA 19125
 USS Boham (AG 71)—(Sept) Charles Fleece, 2099 Lone Pine Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48013
 USS Brooklyn (CL 40)—(Sept) A. V. Showen, 307 Barcelona Rd., W. Palm Beach, FL 33401
 USS Buchanan (DD 484)—(Sept) John Kerins, 137 Hollyoke Rd., Somerdale, NJ 08083
 USS Carina (AK 74)—(Sept) Jim Nance, RT 3, Colome, SD 57528
 USS Clay—(Sept) John Brass, 403 E. 330, Willowick, OH 44094
 USS Copahoe (CVE-12)—(Sept) Joe Downs, PO Box 672, Huntsville, AR 72740
 USS Corry (DD 463)—(Sept) Grant Gullick- son, 1909 Salk St., VA Beach, VA 23455
 USS James E. Craig (DE 201)—(Sept) Ray Iafraite, 1310 Lark St., Schenectady, NY 12306

USS Missouri—(Sept) Thomas Fluck, 258 W. Clarkstown Rd., Spring Valley, NY 10977
 USS Munargo (AP 20)—(Sept) Joseph Good, 6434 Lawnside Dr., St. Louis, MO 63123
 USS Northampton (CA-26)—(Sept) Joe Botti, 1395 Orangewood Sq., Corona, CA 91720
 USS Philadelphia (CL-41)—(Sept) Frank Amoroso, 93 Dunbar St., Somerset, NJ 08873
 USS Quincy—(Sept) Albert Levesque, 46 Foster St., Pawtucket, RI 02861
 USS Savannah (CL 42)—(Sept) Murray Flanders, 417 W. Vista Crt., Mobile, AL 36609
 USS Thornhill (DE 195)—(Sept) Henry Cetkowski, Box 180, RD #2, Titusville, NJ 08560
 USS Tutuila (ARG-4) (WW2)—(Sept) John Hennessey, 1013 Covedale Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45238

AIR

44th Repair Sqd, 81st ADG 5th AF—(Sept) Norman Grude, 523 S. Yale Ave., Villa Park, IL 60181
 49th Serv Sqd 36th Serv Gp—(Sept) Mark Grass, 2236 Kern St., Charlotte, NC 28208
 66th Airdrome Sqd (WW2)—(Sept) Bill Austing, 1046 Rose Cir., Park Hills, KY 41011
 85th Depot Repair Sqd (WW2)—(Sept) Thomas Roushey, 409 Lewis Dr., Fairborn, OH 45324
 86th Air Serv Sqd (C-B-I 1943-46)—(Sept) Grover Baity, Jr., 503 Duke St., Thomasville, NC 27360
 97th Bmb Gp/Wing (1946-55)—(Sept) Joe Pasek, 115 W. Minneapolis, Salina, KS 67401
 315th Trp Carr Gp (WW2)—(Sept) Duncan McRae Sr., 254 Lake Point Dr., Shreveport, LA 71109
 324th Serv Sqd—(Sept) Hilmer Nelson, 5215 11th Ave., Moline, IL 61265
 381st Bmb Gp (H) 8th AF, Ridgewell England (WW2)—(Sept) Paxton Sherwood, 515 Woodland View Dr., York, PA 17402
 402nd Ftr Sqd 370th Ftr Gp—(Sept) Ed. Meyer Jr., 4829 Drexel Ave., New Orleans, LA 70126
 434th TCW—(Sept) Talmage McCord Jr., 117 S. Spencer Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46219
 452nd Bmb, 8th AF (England)—(Sept) Rom Blaylock, 2103 Center Ave., New Bern, NC 28560
 820th Med Air Evac Sqd (54th Trp Carr Wng)—(Sept) Richard Brown, 350 Lightner Ave., Staten Island, NY 10314
 833rd Avia Eng Bn—(Sept) Loren Paris, Box 21, Newton, IN 47969
 1st Spec Serv Force—(Aug) William Story, 240 Thornwood Rd., Stamford, CT 06903

COMRADES IN DISTRESS

Readers who can help these veterans are urged to do so. Usually a statement is needed in support of a VA claim.

Notices are run only at the request of American Legion Service Officers representing claimants, using Search For Witness Forms available only from State Legion Service Offices. Please contact CID # "K" The American Legion Magazine, 1608 "K" Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006.

Stillwater, OK—Need to hear from comrades who recall Doris "Skip" Sadowski Merrill was injured during a swimming accident when another WAVE jumped into water landing on her back while stationed at OK A & M College, July 1944. Contact CID 495-A.

Secret Service G-2—Need information from anyone who remembers Robert M. Belyea in active service from April 1943 to 1955. Contact CID 495-B.

7th Army 517th Ordnance HM Co—Need to hear from comrades who recall Joseph C. Allen fell and injured his left knee while stationed at Kauserslautern, Germany, Oct. 1953. Contact CID 496.

5th Inf, Ft. Jackson, SC, Sept. 1947-Dec. 1947—Need information from anyone who remembers Roy Calvin White had a pre-existing disease causing inability to perform military duties while stationed also at Seoul, Korea, April 1948-Aug. 1948 with the 7th Med. Bn. Contact CID 498.

USS Fiske—Need to hear from comrades who recall John A. Spera injured his legs and back when ship was struck by enemy torpedoes Aug. 2, 1944. Contact CID 497.

USS Charles Ausburne DD 570—Need information from anyone who remembers Thurman O. Mobley, Bkr/3C had a high blood condition while stationed in the South Pacific Area, May 1943. Contact CID 499.

68th AAA Bn—Need to hear from comrades who recall Mr. Nora Yancey fell from a gun embankment on a mountain top injuring his back while stationed at Inchon, Korea (Womadau Island) March

1956. Contact CID 500.
 USS Alcor—Need information from anyone who remembers William C. Arquitt was treated for osteo arthritis of the cervical spine while stationed at NOB, Norfolk, VA in 1944. Contact CID 501.
 HQ Co, 6th AC—Need to hear from comrades who recall Edward G. Miller suffered from black out spells while stationed at Landshut, Germany 1953-54. Contact CID 502.
 1st Marine Div—Need information from anyone who remembers Albert G. Lopez injured his head just outside of living quarters. British compound while stationed at Tientsin, China, March 15, 1947. Contact CID 503.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The award of a life membership to a Legionnaire by a Post is a testimonial by those who know best that such a member has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life membership Post awards that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States or Departments.

Raymond Hackl, Earl Copeland, Ellen Steinbaugh (all 1978) Post 29, Glendale, AZ
 Wm. Bruce, Harry Enck, Grant Jacobson, Lester Tappan, Dr. H. C. Wolfe (all 1978) Post 661, Ben Lomond, CA
 Donald Ambrose (1977) Post 795, South Lake Tahoe, CA

Morris Lynn, A. M. Minton, Meredith Stone, F. Hayes Owings, Emil Bons (all 1978) Post 81, Melbourne, FL

Norman Hussey (1977) Arthur Reece, Harold Ellis (both 1978) Post 148, Riverview, FL

George Bedell (1976) Post 258, Greenacres, FL

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Close Encounter of Flight 101

of this airship, nothing broken or spilled, nothing out of place. No blood, nor bullet holes, nor smell of gunpowder from the machine gun. Nothing at all. Not even a crew!

A salvage crew from Moffett Field arrived to take charge of the recovery operations. Lt. George E. Swartz, USN, was the first commissioned officer on the scene. Immediately he spotted what he was after behind the pilot's seat—the heavily weighted and locked briefcase with the classified orders.

The airship was the L-8, a patrol blimp of Airship Patrol Squadron 32. Earlier in the day it had taken off from its Treasure Island base on a routine patrol and had been logged as Flight 101. Wing Commander for Squadron 32 was Lt. Cdr. George F. Watson. The pilot of 101 was Lt. E. DeWitt Cody, an experienced naval airman.



The Navy blimp L-8 and a Navy ground crew in 1942

Watson was informed that the airship was overdue at 10:30 a.m. He was relatively unconcerned because of his faith in Cody, but he ordered a full report when Flight 101 came in. Only seconds later, Watson was informed that the flight had been reported over south San Francisco. Her engines were not running and she seemed to be misshapen, he was told.

Search parties set out to find the missing airmen. Sea and air units were dispatched.

But the missing airmen were never seen again.

It was as if the crew of Flight 101 had been snatched without warning from their airship while it was still in flight. But how? And by whom? And for what reason? To this day, the riddle of Flight 101 and the fate of her crew remain unsolved.

Flight 101 was a part of the West Coast blimp patrol inaugurated in April 1942. The patrol was intended to provide a security net for the

California coast, to warn of Japanese attack and to spot and sink Japanese submarines. It had been instituted in the midst of nearly hysterical fears of a Japanese invasion. In January, the scow *Tahoe* had rammed an enemy submarine in broad daylight off the Farallons just outside the Golden Gate. On that same day a submarine put a shell through the oil tanker *Agwinworld* off the coast of Santa Cruz, south of San Francisco.

In February 1942, President Franklin Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9066 allowing the Secretary of War to define military areas and to remove "any and all persons" from those areas.

On Feb. 23, the first Japanese attack on the West Coast took place. Shortly after 7:00 p.m., a Japanese submarine surfaced in the Santa Barbara Channel, cruised in close to shore and fired more than 30 shells inland. The shells sailed over Highway 101 along the coast, where traffic continued uninterrupted. Drivers

apparently thought it was an American sub firing practice rounds. Later that evening, after observing the California traffic, the sub commander radioed Emperor Hirohito that he had left Santa Barbara "a seething mass of flames, with wild panic visible on shore."

At 3 a.m. on Feb. 25, unidentified aircraft were reported over Los Angeles, and anti-aircraft batteries around the city blazed away.

As a result of all of this, the lighter-than-air craft patrols were instituted as an early warning and defense system. Squadron 32 took off from Treasure Island and patrolled a 50-mile radius from the Golden Gate Bridge. The L-8 was relatively small as airships went, only 150 feet long and with a maximum diameter of 47 feet. Her helium content was 123,000 cubic feet. She was propelled by two Warner Super-Scarab type 50 engines, each with 145 horsepower. Her armaments were two Mark 17 Aircraft depth bombs and a

30-caliber machine gun.

On her daily patrols, the L-8 flew from the Golden Gate Bridge to the Farallons, then to Point Reyes and along the coast back to the Bridge. She repeated this patrol as often as possible on her 150-gallon fuel capacity.

On Aug. 16, shortly before 6:00 a.m., a member of the ground crew at Treasure Island started the L-8's engines. For 15 minutes he listened and checked and rechecked her controls.

Aviation Machinist's Mate James Riley Hill arrived a few minutes after 6:00 a.m. He had flown on the L-8 patrol the previous day and he expected to make this routine Sunday flight. He made some pre-flight log entries. Moments later Lt. Cody climbed aboard the craft followed by Ensign Charles Ellis Adams.

Cody, 27, was one of the most capable pilots in the Wing Command. He was a 1938 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. Superiors said he "always displayed keen intelligence and sound judgment." Other naval personnel at the base remembered him as quiet and introspective and in no way excitable. He had 800 hours flying time in non-rigid airships.

Ensign Adams had been commissioned only the previous day after 20 years as an enlisted man. He had flown in every type of naval aircraft and had logged nearly 2,300 hours of flying time. He was 37.

The L-8 was towed onto the short runway. Because she was statically heavy, she would need to taxi down the runway for more than 100 yards before becoming airborne. Cody was at the controls. He placed his hat on the instrument panel and his briefcase behind his seat. He gunned the engines and watched the flight instruments. Then he turned to Hill and ordered him from the ship. Hill waited for an explanation. None was forthcoming. Cody and Adams stared out the windows and waited for Hill to depart. Finally, the machinist's mate stood, opened the door and jumped onto the runway. He closed the door behind him. He stood on the runway and watched the L-8 taxi for about 150 yards before lifting off, heading toward the Golden Gate Bridge.

At 7:38 a.m., the first message from Flight 101 arrived at Treasure Island: "Position four miles east of Farallons—stand by."

Four minutes later a second message: "Am investigating suspicious oil slick—stand by."

That was the last message received from Flight 101.

But there were other ships and air-

craft in the area and Flight 101 was observed by several.

The S.S. *Daisy Gray* was making her way toward San Francisco Bay when Capt. A. A. Backman spotted the L-8 coming overhead from the east. Five minutes later the lookout called to him, "Come up here! Look at that smoke down on the water!"

Backman took the binoculars and watched the L-8, which was about one mile to port. On the surface of the water directly below the craft he saw two areas of smoke and some flames. The blimp was slowly descending, apparently under control. Backman concluded that she had dropped some signals.

The steamship *Albert Gallatin* under Capt. Byrus Brown was several miles behind the *Daisy Gray* when her lookout spotted Flight 101. He saw her drop a smoke bomb, the signal for *submarine below me*. A general alarm aboard the ship was sounded. It was 7:42 a.m. The deck guns on the *Albert Gallatin* were manned. Brown watched the L-8 slowly descend to within 30 feet of the water. Since there were no objects in the sea beneath her except the smoke signals, he concluded that the L-8 had spotted a whale and was carrying out a practice maneuver. There was nothing unusual in her movements. He watched through his binoculars as the L-8 pulled up very slowly to about 150 feet, stabilized, circled the smoke signals and climbed slowly into the cloud cover.

A few minutes later Captain Brown looked back for the L-8. She was nowhere in sight. He thought this very strange. He continued to look for her all the way into San Francisco. But he never saw her again.

Shortly before 11:00 a.m. Flight 101 was spotted again, this time by the pilot of a Pan American Clipper about three miles off the Golden Gate Bridge. She was flying at about 100 feet, was fully inflated and under control by her crew. The pilot of an Army P-38 also saw her at about the same time and discerned nothing unusual.

Yet only a few minutes later the pilot of a Navy patrol plane had a frightening experience with Flight 101. He was flying over the cloud cover at about 2000 feet. Suddenly, the L-8 loomed up right beside his plane, as though the crew had decided to take a peek into his cockpit. The airship floated beside him for a moment, then like a great whale it dropped back into the clouds.

The next reported sighting was that of Riccardo Capovilla.

The Navy salvage crew found no good reason why her engines had stopped. Her door was latched com-

pletely open. It was possible that the men inside had opened it and locked it that way, but it was more likely that the opening had been done from the outside. The bent condition of the craft was due simply to loss of helium.

The only unusual evidence aboard Flight 101 was the fact that the amplifier for outside speaker on the craft had been switched to "stand by." The switch normally remained off. The crew had either spoken with someone outside or was preparing to speak with someone outside. But to whom? And where? In the water? On the beach? In the clouds?

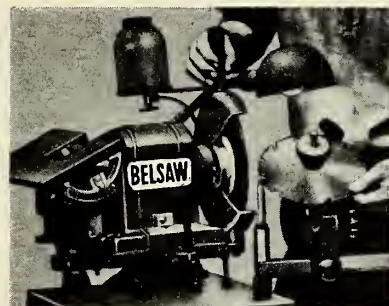
A special Board of Investigation at Moffett Field called a dozen witnesses. Some were asked to speculate on what happened. Nobody had a convincing answer. Lt. Cdr. Watson finally concluded that "nothing I have been able to discover has given me any grounds to form a reasonable opinion as to the sequence of events, why the airship was abandoned or what happened to her personnel."

There was a possibility—a very remote possibility—that both crew members had fallen out the open door. Yet there was neither a strong wind on that day nor rough seas. Neither man was seen to fall. Nor

was either spotted on the surface of the water. Or washed ashore. And if the blimp had suddenly lost 350-400 pounds she would have shot very quickly upward and ascended through the cloud cover until she reached a height to valve helium automatically. Nobody saw her rise quickly. And there was no indication that she ever did.

"While there is a strong presumption that both Lt. Cody and Ensign Adams fell out of the gondola and were drowned, there is no definite evidence to that effect," the board concluded. The men aboard Flight 101 were listed officially as "missing." They are still today, more than 35 years later.

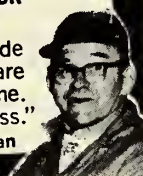
Film writer/director Steven Spielberg had mysteries like that of Flight 101 in mind when he suggested a solution in his "Close Encounters of the Third Kind." Spielberg imagined the first officially recorded landing of an alien spacecraft on Earth. When the door of the craft opened, a group of dazed men slowly walked out. "They were dressed in naval flak jackets of the forties," Spielberg wrote. "They were all very young and several of them were holding leather helmets and flight goggles in their hands." —Larry Engelmann



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America's Upstanding Song

"Spangled Banner" was played as the American flag was hoisted over the Martyrs Tomb at Fort Greene. A salute of 100 guns and a display of fireworks closed the ceremony.

In Philadelphia, a midnight parade to Independence Hall started off the July 4th celebration, after which the First Regimental Band and a 600-voice chorus presented a concert, opening with a selection from Verdi's opera "Aida," followed by "The Star-Spangled Banner."

The nation's capital was content to celebrate America's Centennial July 4th with a gun salute and a public meeting under auspices of the Oldest Inhabitants Association held at Ford's Opera House.

The final concert of the American Centennial at Philadelphia on November 10, 1876, programmed mostly non-American music such as Wagner's commissioned "Centennial March," Beethoven's final movement from his "Symphony No. 5," and the "Hallelujah" chorus from Handel's "Messiah." But the orchestra and choir did finally perform "The Star-Spangled Banner" and closed America's first 100-year festival with the doxology "Old Hundred."

Despite these Centennial occasions, "The Star-Spangled Banner" was not yet America's national song, though its popularity was obviously growing. It received a big boost at a little noticed occasion when the custom of rising to stand during the playing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" was initiated.

The place was Chicago. American conductor Theodore Thomas was performing a customary Saturday night concert of his Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Thomas introduced much of the great music of Wagner, Liszt, Tchaikovsky and other famed foreign composers to American audiences. John Philip Sousa called Thomas the greatest conductor who ever lived.

The date was October 31, 1896. Chicago was excited over the national Presidential election between William McKinley and William Jennings Bryan. Thomas was asked to perform "The Star-Spangled Banner."

The programs had already been printed, so Thomas decided on a bit of showmanship he'd used at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893. A drum corps was placed on stage behind the orchestra, and the chorus was seated in front, beside the auditorium's great organ. Immediately following the final note of the regular programmed selection, the conductor dramatically flourished

his baton at the multiplied drum section, starting the drummers off with a *pianissimo* drum roll, slowly and gradually building the rumble to a roaring *forte*.

Thomas then turned to the audience of more than 5,000 concertgoers and beckoned them to stand while he directed "The Star-Spangled Banner." It was a stirring show of musical patriotism, and it is claimed that thereafter, concert audiences began rising in special tribute whenever the song was performed.

Two years later, during the Spanish-American War, "The Star-Spangled Banner" was first performed at a baseball game—it was opening day of the 1898 season at the Polo Grounds in New York City.

America's first up-standing music was designated by the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy to be played daily by military bands at Morning Colors in 1903 and servicemen were ordered to stand at attention whenever it was played. Now realized as the country's leading national song and performed as such through World War I, "The Star-Spangled Banner" was sanctioned as an unofficial national anthem for government functions during the term of President Woodrow Wilson.

Yet it wasn't until 1931, after 127 years of notable aging, that the song gained official legal status when Rep. John Charles Linthicum of Maryland introduced a bill to declare "The Star-Spangled Banner" America's official national anthem.

Congressional debate brought opposition that the song was too militaristic, the result of a single historical event, and it was too difficult for schoolchildren to sing. It was also deemed "beyond the range of patriots." Some called it "unsingable, except by professionals," "mediocre, stilted, without poetic merit," "unsingable, un-American, unmarchable." Francis Scott Key was described as "a writer of songs for vaudeville." Despite the criticisms, the bill passed both houses of Congress.

On March 3, 1931, just 150 years and two days after the final ratification of the Articles of Confederation and the Perpetual Union of the 13 United States, the following Congressional decree was signed by President Herbert Hoover:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that the composition of the words and music known as 'The Star-Spangled Banner' is designated the National Anthem of the United States of America."

—Don Burns

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2) Some costs will rise dramatically in the second half, while a few will slacken. For example:

- **Food costs won't rise nearly so much in the next six months** as they did last spring. The upturn will be around 7 percent vs. the double digit leap of a few months ago.

- **On the other hand, housing and energy costs will go up steadily.** The coal wage pact is adding new leverage to energy prices, while material costs keep boosting housing tags.

- **Interest rates have started a new climb,** particularly for short-term loans. But mortgages, too, will be affected.

- **As for unemployment, it likely won't exceed the 6½ percent mark.**

Meantime, here are some new data on living costs by regions: **The Sun Belt is by far the least expensive for families with intermediate incomes.** Austin, TX, ranks No. 1 in low living costs, followed by Orlando, Baton Rouge and Nashville. High costs occur in Boston, New York, Washington, Buffalo, Milwaukee and San Francisco. Highest of all: Alaska and Hawaii.

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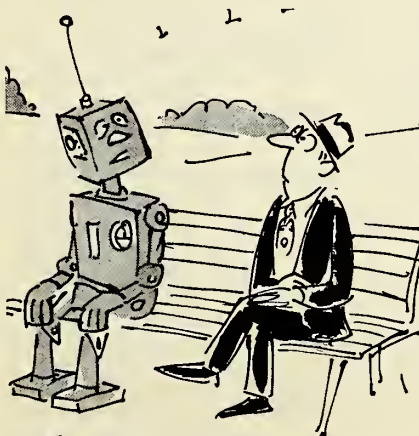
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By Edgar A. Grunwald



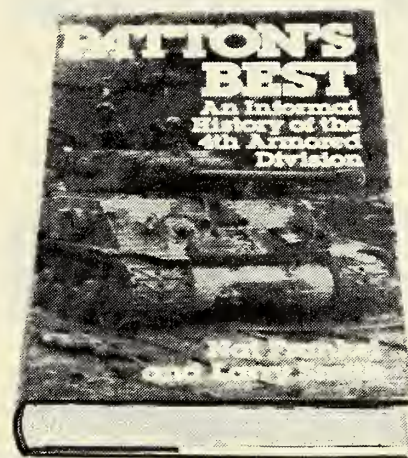
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THERE are over 20 million joggers in the U.S., according to a recent estimate. Only a few of these are marathon runners. Most jog because it's one of the healthiest sports in the world and can be enjoyed by all members of the family, young or old. All joggers feel better after the exercise. It tones the muscles, clears the lungs of stagnant air, increases blood flow to the brain and vital organs. But there are precautions that must be taken.

A prospective jogger should have his or her heart and blood pressure checked while resting and immediately after exercise. Although jogging isn't a strenuous sport, it can further damage a weak heart. Most important, also, is the footwear. The common sneaker is not advised except for most children. The sole of the shoe must be stiff enough to support the weight you must place on each foot at each step. A nylon or even leather upper on the shoe will help support your ankle. The heel must be built up and cushioned to absorb impact because, with each forward step, you rest your weight first on your heel and then on your entire foot, using the toes to push as you move the other foot forward. Consult your podiatrist if you suspect your feet aren't perfect. Flat feet, high arches, hammer toes, a short Achilles tendon behind the heel (from wearing high heels) require special shoe adjustments recommended by a podiatrist. An area of the foot that blisters can be protected by adhesive tape as a prevention.

Wear soft loose-fitting clothing. Tight, stiff apparel, such as brassieres and tight-legged jeans or shorts, can cause painful chafing. One first-aid remedy for chafing is petroleum jelly. In frigid weather, clothing should be worn in layers; remove a layer or two when jogging, replace it when you stop to rest. The cure for the discomfort of perspiring feet is to wear light cotton socks over light woolen ones; perspiration will pass through the wool and will be absorbed by the cotton while the wool remains dry. For jogging in the bright sunlight, wear sunglasses: these also protect your eyes from projecting twigs along the woodland trails. You also need a lotion to protect your face against wind and sunburn, especially at the beach. Don't jog when the air temperature is over 80 degrees.

Warm up with exercises at least 10 minutes before jogging. Twist your hips, do deep-knee bends, touch your toes, as do athletes before a contest. Repeat each about a dozen times. These motions stretch the muscles and help avoid cramps. Start your jogging at a slower-than-usual pace for about

10 minutes. Don't jog right after a heavy meal. On a highway, jog against the traffic so you can see it coming and it will not come at you unexpectedly. Don't waste energy jogging up a hill at your usual speed; take half-steps. If you meet an unfriendly dog, yell to scare it—shout "no," a command familiar to most dogs. Then keep on going. Cross the street if you must; you might have to change your course next time.

Dirt roads are good jogging surfaces but keep a sharp lookout for rocks, sticks and holes on which you might turn your ankle. Paved roads are good; potholes and ridges are easy to spot from a distance. In a secluded area, such as a remote bridle path, before passing another person going your way, say, "passing," loudly so he or she will know you're just a jogger meaning no harm. This is also good advice when jogging in a city park. Obey traffic lights when crossing city streets. Although you must break your stride, you can keep your rhythm by jogging in place; thus you won't give jogging a bad reputation among motorists, pedestrians and the police. An indoor track would probably be best for jogging, but it's apt to become more monotonous than jogging outdoors where the scenery changes.

Probably the ideal jogging day is one that is windless, dry and sunny with an air temperature of about 50 degrees. Remember that when jogging in the rain or after a rain, you must always keep an eye on your path to avoid slipping. The best time of day depends on each jogger's preference. It might be early in the morning, during lunch-hour break from work or in the evening. For jogging in poor weather or bad light, stick strips of fluorescent tape around your ankles, shoes and legs, also on your arms and jacket so they will glow in the lights of approaching cars. Arrange your schedule to jog at least twice a week. Jog by the clock, not by the mile. Measure your jogging by time, not by distance. Stop before you are exhausted. Chances are you will agree with other joggers who say they never felt better in their lives.

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Summons of the Trumpet, by David Richard Palmer. Presidio Press, San Rafael, CA, 277 pp. \$12.95.

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Best of the Original Sad Sack, by George Baker. Sad Sack Books, Boston, MA, 128 pp. \$3.95.

This is just what the title says. If you enjoyed Baker's cartoons during World War II you'll do a lot of remembering.

A Time for Truth, by William E. Simon. Readers Digest Press/McGraw-Hill, New York, NY, 248 pp. \$12.50. The former Secretary of Treasury weighs into the national economic debate with a provocative and controversial book that could affect all our dollars. Simon claims Americans are fast losing their economic freedoms and if this transpires, their political freedoms will quickly drain away. His analysis is disturbing; even more disturbing is the strong concurrence of Nobel Prize economists Milton Friedman and F. A. Hayek.

A History of War at Sea, by Helmut Pemsel. U.S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, MD 176 pp, \$15.95.

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Notes on Our Desk

duce and refine oil have a right to ask how much they are to pay, and for how long, while the fight over environmental standards goes on in the Atlantic states."

As the *Post* notes, the costs of regionalism are great . . . and they are steadily mounting. A recent University of Rhode Island study, to cite one source, estimates that a three-year delay in outer continental shelf lease sales off the Atlantic seaboard would cost the nation \$5.8 billion. Energy, as always, remains inextricably linked with the economy; and, if the chains that bind our separate states together rust and weaken, the delicate fabric that is our economic stability weakens as well.

The 1973-74 oil embargo demonstrated beyond refutation the deleterious impacts that energy—particularly its shortage—can have on our economy. The 400 percent increase in world oil prices in recent years only underlines the point. Unless domestic production increases, the costs of importing foreign energy—and this year's tab will likely exceed \$40 billion—can only climb.

With that increase comes the heightened threat of economic or political dislocations.

With producing states urging curtailments, only imports stand ready to take up the slack.

Finally, let's return to President Carter's energy message. Two of his key points are, first, that "our energy crisis is an invisible crisis, which grows steadily worse" and, second, that "if we work together as a united people, we will succeed." The crisis is undeniably real. Yet the

unity—which is essential—may be illusory.

Regional thinking undermines our search for solutions to what is a shared problem. It is understandable, of course, that states and their citizens want to protect their environment and their resources. But energy development can be—and must be—compatible with environmental protection and with proper husbandry of depleting resources.

It's understandable, too, that producing states might resent the no-development view that prevails in some areas of our nation. But the answer cannot be to withhold or overtax available supplies. Instead, consuming and producing states must join to further both sets of interests. Energy is a national, not a regional, problem. Solutions must be achieved nationally.

The simple truth is that we can no longer ask for energy supplies, but demand that the energy be produced or refined in someone else's backyard—as many consuming states have advocated for years.

A second simple truth is, it is no longer feasible for producing states to suggest that consumers "freeze in the dark"—a view expressed not long ago. The result would be that all of us would in time freeze; and that's a result none of us wants.

In recent months it has become obvious that The American Legion . . . the closest brotherhood of all . . . is divided on these issues. We can . . . and we must . . . resolve our differences and unify our efforts to convince our fellow Americans to do likewise. The energy crisis embraces all Americans. We can work together to find a solution . . . or we can individually suffer the consequences. It's up to us.

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SIR: After the Panama vote it looks as if we may become the football of every small nation that can now safely insult us and kick us around to their hearts' content.

PAUL CHIERA
Silver Spring, MD

SIR: It was with great pride that I read your article on the WWI "Lost Battalion." My late dad—Francis J. McCormack—was in Company D, 308th Infantry.

AGNES MCDUGALL
Ridgewood, NY

SIR: Let's urge Congress to reaffirm our national motto "In God We Trust," and its use on our currency.

HENRY NEWBIGG
Kenmore, NY

SIR: I note that atheists are campaigning to ban religious broadcasts. If I see a program not to my liking I can complain to the station, the network or the advertiser, but I do not have the right to prevent others from viewing what I do not appreciate.

KIM A. EDWARDS
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SIR: The overwhelming majority of the American people opposed this incredible Panama treaty, yet President Carter and 68 senators mounted an all-out campaign marked by deceit and misrepresentation. They should be held accountable.

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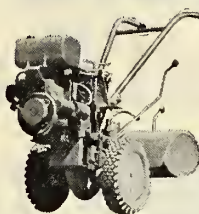
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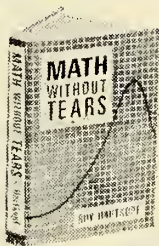
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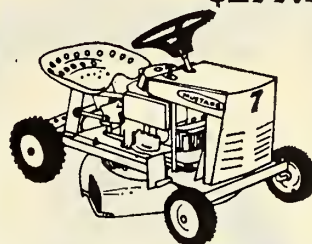
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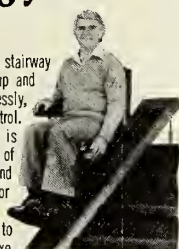
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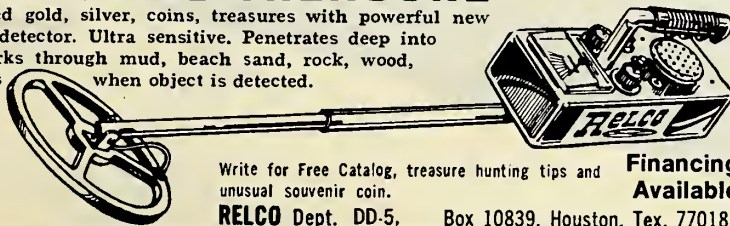
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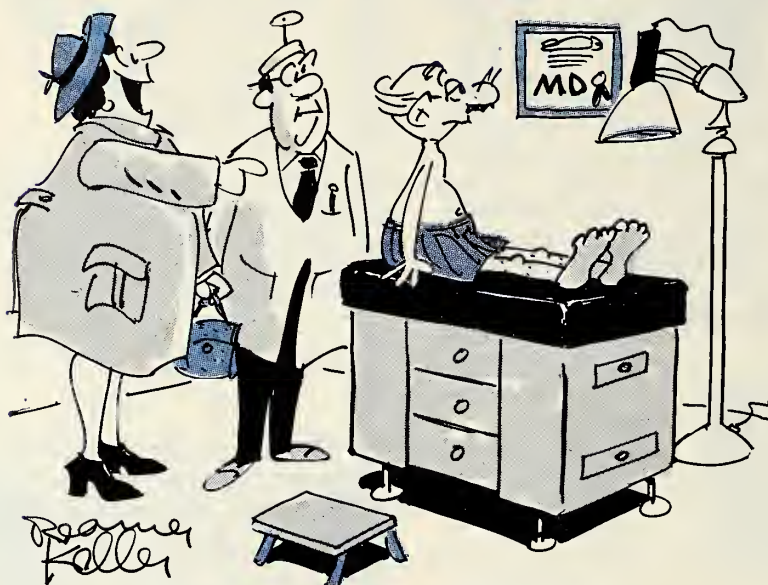
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